College of Journalism and Mass Communications

Laptop Policy

All students in the College of Journalism and Mass Communications are required to purchase, lease, or have ready access to a laptop computer that meets or exceeds the specifications listed below. Students can choose between a Windows or Mac platform.

Requirements

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<th>Windows</th>
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<td>CPU</td>
<td>Intel 9th generation i5 minimum, i7 recommended. Quad Core + Required</td>
<td>M1 chipset recommended</td>
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<td>Display</td>
<td>15” Full-HD recommended, 13” Minimum</td>
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<td>Ram</td>
<td>16 GB recommended, 8 GB minimum</td>
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<td>Disk Storage</td>
<td>SSD recommended, 500 GB minimum</td>
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<td>Video Card</td>
<td>AMD or Nvidia graphics (Required)</td>
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<td>OS</td>
<td>Windows 10 (64-bit) version 20H2 or higher</td>
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Required Software

Adobe Creative Cloud - available free to UNL students

Recommended Additions

- A 3-year extended warranty
- External drive (1TB or larger) for backups
- Microsoft Office - available at a steep discount at HuskerTech

Funding

You may be able to finance your computer or software purchases through financial aid. To determine your eligibility, please contact the Husker Hub.

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