

# UMW Computer Requirements

We recommend students purchase a desktop or laptop, rather than a tablet or smartphone, for classwork. Major computer brands such as Apple, Dell, HP, Toshiba, Samsung, and Lenovo are encouraged for their reliability and compatibility with university resources. Chromebooks are not recommended.

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## Recommended minimum Windows (PC) configuration.

- Operating System: Windows 10, Windows 8.1 or 8.1 Pro, Windows 7 SP1 Pro or Ultimate (Windows 8 RT is not recommended)
- Microsoft Office 2013 or 2016 (2016 Download free with UMW Email Account)
- Current subscription to anti-virus software such as Norton AntiVirus ([us.norton.com](http://us.norton.com)), Avast ([www.avast.com](http://www.avast.com)), or Kaspersky Anti- Virus ([usa.kaspersky.com](http://usa.kaspersky.com))
- Web Browser: Firefox ([www.mozilla.org](http://www.mozilla.org)) or Chrome ([chrome.google.com](http://chrome.google.com)) for best compatibility with Moodle
- Adobe Reader ([get.adobe.com/reader](http://get.adobe.com/reader))
- Optional: Extended manufacturer warranty
- Optional: Theft & accidental damage insurance (e.g., [<http://www.safeware.com%29/>][www.safeware.com](http://www.safeware.com))

## Recommended minimum Apple (Mac) configuration.

- Operating System: OS X Yosamite 10.10 or later
- Microsoft Office 2011 or 2016 (2016 Download free with UMW Email Account)
- Current subscription to anti-virus software, Avast ([www.avast.com](http://www.avast.com)) recommended
- Web Browser: Firefox ([www.mozilla.org](http://www.mozilla.org)) or Chrome ([chrome.google.com](http://chrome.google.com)) for best compatibility with Moodle
- Adobe Reader ([get.adobe.com/reader](http://get.adobe.com/reader))
- Optional: Parallels or Boot Camp
- Optional: Apple Care Protection Plan

## For assistance and information.

Should you need assistance, please stop in at the help desk located on the 1 floor of the Swysgood Technology Center (STC) or call (406) 683-7777.