Incoming Allied Health Students

IMPORTANT—Change to laptop computer program: As we communicated earlier, the OUHSC administration planned to start a new program to provide incoming new students with a new laptop computer to meet security requirements. Unfortunately, due to unforeseen issues, we are unable to implement this new program at this time. Thus, we must revert to our current program whereby students are to obtain their own laptop computers to participate in their academic program.

The OU Health Sciences Center strongly recommends that students purchase a new computer for the start of their academic program with the University. Every student computer used for any University business – including academic course work, testing, classroom notes, HSC email, and clinical or research activities – must complete a Device Security Clinic between Monday, May 1, and Friday, August 11, but prior to the start of your program. Experience has shown that older, heavily used devices can be affected by the required security suite, potentially impacting the time required to complete the clinic as well as your overall student experience.

If you are using Financial Aid, your award letter contains a line item in Cost of Attendance with $1,500 for Computer Expense. We strongly recommend purchasing a new computer and we have designated the specifications in the chart below. We have shown examples for a Mac system and a Windows system as something that will work well with our security requirements and your program’s activities. OUHSC Information Technology has made every effort to secure reasonable pricing from Apple and Dell. The link to Apple online store is provided below, and the Dell link is forthcoming. Please read carefully the “Important Information about Computer Requirements” and the upcoming device security clinic. Please contact the IT Service Desk (# at bottom of chart) if you have any questions about the technology requirements.

Important information about computer requirements:

The privacy and security of the protected health information (PHI) governed by federal HIPAA law and monitored by the Office of Civil Rights (OCR), is of critical importance to the entire OU Health Sciences Center community. What this means for you: All laptop computers used for university related activities, including academic course work, testing, classroom notes, HSC email, and clinical or research activities MUST complete a device security clinic prior to their use with any HSC resources.

The device security clinic is in the David L. Boren Student Union and will provide, at no cost to you, encryption, anti-virus, and other security tools needed to protect your devices and the data they may contain. Information about the device security clinic is provided below.

Recommended Laptops: The University strongly recommends the purchase of a new laptop computer, if possible, or the use of an existing computer no more than 1-2 years old in order to have the best possible experience with the required security tools and your academic, clinical, or research activities. Please check with HSC Office of Financial Aid about the applicability of available financial aid funds for a computer purchase. It is your responsibility to ensure that your laptop is compatible with the required security tools in order to participate in your program’s curriculum.
Information Technology has provided specifications and example systems known to work well with our security requirements and your program’s activities. You may purchase these devices anywhere, but the University has attempted to secure reasonable education pricing, and you may order the recommended models directly from the manufacturer using the links provided.

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<td>Minimum OS: MacOS 10.11 el Capitan [standard, no additional cost on Macs]</td>
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| Specifications | • i5 or i7 Intel™ Processor  
• 13-inch display  
• Minimum 8GB RAM or greater  
• Minimum 250GB SSD Hard Drive | • Business-class (such as the Dell Latitude Series)  
• i5 or i7 Intel™ Processor (avoid the “M” processor)  
• 13-15 inch display  
• Minimum 8GB RAM or greater  
• Minimum 250GB SSD Hard Drive  
• 256MB Video Memory  
• 802.11b/g Wireless |
| Recommended Example Laptop | **Apple MacBook Pro**  
• (Either older 2.7GHz processor, or newer 2.0GHz processor “space gray” models; TouchBar models are not recommended  
• Minimum 13-inch display  
• Minimum 8GB RAM  
• Minimum 250GB SSD Hard Drive | **DellLatitude 5480**  
• Windows 10 Education (available at no additional cost to enrolled students at [https://it.ouhsc.edu/studentservices/](https://it.ouhsc.edu/studentservices/))  
• Minimum 13-inch display  
• Minimum 8GB RAM  
• Minimum 250GB SSD Hard Drive |
| Protecting your investment | Consider protective device such as cases, skins, keyboard covers; always carry your laptop in a protective bag or backpack.  
Manufactures offer 1 year warranties against mechanical failure, but accidental damage (very common: spills, dropped, cracked screen, etc.) are not covered without an additional warranty the specifically covers this cost. Consider an extended warranty from either Dell (Windows) or 3rd-party providers like SafeWare. | |

*Note: The OUHSC security suite is only supported on MacOS and certain versions of Windows OS computers; it cannot be used on Linux or other operating systems.

**OKC QUESTIONS?** Please contact the IT Service Desk at 405.271.2203 (888.435.7486) or servicedesk@ouhsc.edu with questions or requests for additional information.

**TULSA Questions?** Please contact the IT Service Desk at 918.660.3550 or tulsait-servicedesk@ouhsc.edu with questions or requests for additional information.
OUHSC Device Security Clinic

The privacy and security of the protected health information (PHI) governed by federal HIPAA law and monitored by the Office of Civil Rights (OCR), is of critical importance to the entire OU Health Sciences Center community. Therefore, your college, in coordination with the Senior Vice President and Provost’s Office and Information Technology, requires students to participate in a mandatory Device Security Clinic that MUST be completed prior to the start of your academic program.

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STEPS YOU MUST TAKE:

1. **Register** the laptop(s) you use for any university business at the Secure Network Access Program Device Registration page found at ouhsc.edu/registerdevice.

2. **Schedule** a day to drop off your laptop for the installation of the HSC security suite as part of the registration process. Dates are available beginning Monday, May 1, 2017.

3. **Backup your personal data and keep your appointment** where the IT Service Desk staff will be performing the Device Security Clinic on your computer. They will require access to your device as well as some HSC and device account information; remember to bring your power supply!

In general,

- Newer MacOS computers can take approximately one (1) business day;
- Newer Windows 10 or older MacOS computers can take approximately two (2) business days; and
- Older Windows 10 or earlier computers can take approximately three (3) business days to complete.

For more information on the importance of the Device Security Clinic and how the laptop security will affect you, see the Student Device Security Clinic FAQ.

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