

COMPUTER REQUIREMENTS FOR NEW STUDENTS:

The USC School of Medicine Greenville operates on a bring your own device (BYOD) technology model. This allows our users to work on computers that they are already comfortable with while maintaining a consistent platform for delivery of software and learning materials. To achieve this, we will provide each incoming student with a current model Apple iPad for accessing recorded lectures and digital textbooks, as well as for use in testing. The Microsoft Office software suite is available through your Office 365 account, provided by USC, and can be installed on MacOS, Windows, and mobile devices.

To ensure that you have the best educational experience we are providing the following requirements and recommendations for your computer selection. The minimum requirements are needed to access the required systems, and the recommended configurations are based on what will provide the best user experience based on data from our existing faculty, staff, and student body with how they typically use their computers.

General Recommendations:

Mac Users:

Minimum

- macOS Ventura (13.x) or higher
- 8 GB RAM

Recommended

- macOS Sonoma (14.x)
- 16GB+ RAM

Required

- Antivirus (Some examples are: Sophos, Bitdefender & Avast)

Examples: MacBook Air, MacBook Pro

Windows Users:

Minimum

- Windows 10 (Home or Pro)
 - * NOTE: Microsoft support for Windows 10 is scheduled to end October 2025
- 8GB+ RAM
- Any Intel i5 or AMD Ryzen 5, or higher Processor

Recommended

- Windows 11 (Home or Pro)
- 16GB+ RAM
- Intel Core i7 or AMD Ryzen 9, or higher Processor

Required

- Antivirus (Some options include Sophos, MS Defender, Bitdefender & Avast)

Examples: HP, Lenovo, Dell, MS Surface

****Windows RT is not supported**

You will be responsible for the care of your computer; however, our IT staff is available to assist with basic troubleshooting and configuration.