

University of Nebraska College of Architecture  
2017-2018 Computer Policy

All students in the College of Architecture's Architecture, Interior Design and Landscape Architecture programs are required to lease, purchase, or have ready access to a laptop computer that meets or exceeds the specifications listed below. Students can choose between the Windows or Mac platform.

Hardware	Windows	Mac
CPU:	Intel i7 quad core 2.5 GHz processor (or faster)	Intel i7 quad core 2.5 GHz processor (or faster)
Display:	15" Full-HD (1920x1080 minimum resolution)	15" Retina
RAM:	8 GB minimum (16 recommended)	8 GB minimum (16 recommended)
Disk Storage:	256 GB minimum (SSD recommended)	500 GB minimum (SSD recommended)
External Mouse:	3-button with scroll wheel required	3-button with scroll wheel required
Video Card:	AMD or Nvidia graphics (Required)	AMD or Nvidia graphics (Required)
OS:	Windows 10 – Professional or Ultimate	MacOS X 10.11 or MacOS 10.12 Bootcamped w/ Windows 10 Professional or Ultimate
Warranty:	3-year extended recommended	3-year extended recommended
	Required Hardware:	Flash Drive (8 GB or larger) Printing or file transfers
	Recommended Hardware:	External USB Drive (500 GB or larger) for backups

Application Software (items requiring student purchase in bold)

All Students Require:	Graphics: Adobe Creative Cloud** Business: Microsoft Office*** Virus: Symantec AV (provided by UNL****)
Architecture and Interior Design Students:	CAD: AutoCAD 2018* and Revit 2018* 3D Modeling: Rhino 5*** and 3ds Max 2018*
Landscape Architecture Students:	CAD: AutoCAD 2018* 3D Modeling: Rhino 5*** and 3ds Max 2018*

For the past several years, the UNL Computer Shop has offered laptop packages specifically configured for students of the College of Architecture. Because of the positive response, the Computer Shop will again offer packages for students in the College of Architecture. Since 2013, they have worked with Dell to arrange special educational pricing.

Information will be posted on the Computer Sales website as the terms are finalized. You can also check with the UNL Computer Shop directly (402-472-5151) for more information on what options are available. They are located in the lower level of the city campus Nebraska Union at 1400 R Street. <http://sales.unl.edu>

The College of Architecture recognizes that some students may already own a computer with comparable specifications, perhaps only falling short on RAM, processor speed, or graphics capability. While such a computer may be suitable in the short term, it will be necessary for you to acquire a computer that meets or exceeds the specifications listed above during, or soon after your first year of school.

Please be advised that any custom ordered computer may take a few weeks from the time an order is placed, to the time the computer is received. All students are expected to have their computer purchased and software installed on or before August 21, 2017.

The College of Architecture prohibits the use of pirated software. Students are expected to certify that all software on their computer is legitimate to have access to the network. Students may be asked to present proof of software ownership. Students who have pirated software on their computers will not be serviced and can be reported to Student Judicial Affairs.

\*Autodesk software is available for free download from: <http://students.autodesk.com> - see Software Help Sheet for directions

\*\* Adobe Creative Cloud is free to UNL students: <http://itprocurement.unl.edu/adobe-creative-cloud-full-suite>

\*\*\*Educational pricing available at the UNL Computer Store.

\*\*\*\*Symantec Anti-Virus is available for free download from: <http://antivirus.unl.edu>