

**University of Nebraska College of Architecture
2018-2019 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 display
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 10x64 – Build 1607 or higher	MacOS X Boot Camped w/ Windows 10 (See page 2 about Boot Camp requirements)
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)

<i>All Students Require:</i>	<i>Graphics:</i> Adobe Creative Cloud* <i>Business:</i> Microsoft Office & Windows 10** <i>Virus:</i> Symantec AV (provided by UNL ***)
Architecture and Interior Design Students:	<i>CAD:</i> AutoCAD 2019**** and Revit 2019**** <i>3D Modeling:</i> Rhino 5** or Rhino 6** and 3ds Max 2019****
Landscape Architecture Students:	<i>CAD:</i> AutoCAD 2019**** <i>3D Modeling:</i> Rhino 5** or Rhino 6** and 3ds Max 2019****

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

**Educational pricing available at the UNL Huskertech Computer Store. <https://its.unl.edu/huskertech/software>

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

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

The University of Nebraska prohibits the use of pirated software or digital media. Students may be asked to present proof of software ownership. Students who have pirated software or digital media on their computers will not be serviced and can be reported to Student Judicial Affairs.

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.

For the last several years the UNL Huskertech 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 Huskertech sales website as the terms are finalized. You can also check with the UNL Huskertech Store directly (402-472-5151) for more information on what options are available. They are located in room 7 on the lower level of the city campus Nebraska Union at 1400 R Street. <https://its.unl.edu/huskertech/>

Please be advised that any custom ordered computer takes between a few weeks to over a month 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 20th, 2018.

Boot Camp

All Mac laptops must have a process called "Boot Camp" performed on them in order to run the required Autodesk and Rhino software. This process divides the physical hard drive into two logical partitions and installs Windows on the second partition. It is like having two computers. You will have to reboot (while holding down the option key) in order to bring up a menu to switch operating systems. That is why Mac's require a larger hard drive than a PC. **We recommend creating a minimum of a 120Gb partition for the Windows operating system.** A Windows 10 License is available to purchase at the UNL Huskertech computer store. Apple's Boot Camp directions can be found at <https://support.apple.com/en-us/HT201468>.

If you need assistance, the Computer Help Center located in room 31 in Love South library (formerly in 501 building) has two options to assist students. You can stop by and an associate will answer any questions and can help you through the process. They can assist in installing other required software packages too. Make sure you have your Windows 10 license with you. Please plan to stay a minimum of 3 hours to complete the process.

The second option is you can drop it off, and for the standard operating system installation fee of \$100, they will complete the process for you and you can pick it up later. This fee does not include installing other software packages. It is highly recommend you do this well before the first week of school.