

Laptop Requirements

Chromebooks do not meet these requirements.

Hardware Requirements

- 4GB of Memory (RAM)
- 80 GB Hard-drive of free space
- Wireless card with 802.11 capability
- Integrated Webcam and Microphone

As of the Fall 2019 semester, the Bay State College School of Nursing and Health Sciences requires students enrolled in the following academic programs to have their own personal laptop computer:

- Associate Degree of Science in Nursing
- RN- Bachelor of Science in Nursing
- Associate Degree of Science in Physical Therapy Assistant

Students must have a laptop computer that meets the minimum requirements, listed below, for hardware and software operating systems, and for compatibility with software in use by the school. If you have any questions, please email helpdesk@baystate.edu.

For Students Who Are Purchasing a Laptop

For students who plan to buy a new laptop, please be sure your laptop complies with the hardware and operating system requirements, noted below.

Requirements: Hardware and Operating System

	PC	Mac
Operating System	Windows 10	Apple OS X 10.11 “El Capitan” or newer
Hard Drive	Minimum 128GB (SSD Hard Drive Recommended) or greater/ 80 GB or greater of free space is recommended	
Processor	Minimum Intel i3 required Intel i5 or i7 Processor or comparable equivalent recommended	

Wireless Capability	Wireless card with 802.11 capability
Integrated Webcam and microphone	
Memory (RAM)	4GB or greater 8GB recommended
Anti-Virus software	Anti-virus is required for PC and Mac.
Warranty	If purchasing a new laptop, we recommend at least a 3 year warranty to cover the computer during your time as a student.

For Students with Existing Laptops

Students are not required to buy a new laptop and ***may use their existing laptop***. If you plan to use an existing laptop **please be sure your laptop complies with the software compatibility requirements, as explained in the next section.**

Requirements: Software Compatibility

Student laptops must use a Windows or Apple operating system, be in good working condition and free of viruses, malware, and spyware, with working wireless access, for use for examinations and for communication with faculty and administration during the year.

Use the links below to confirm your laptop is compatible with the software titles in use by Bay State College School of Nursing. The system requirements for these software titles are updated regularly by the vendor. Students are responsible for confirming that their laptop meets these software compatibility requirements. The school does not have any control over the frequency in which this information is updated, nor do we control any change to the system requirements for these titles.

PC: <https://examsoft.force.com/etcommunity/s/article/Exemplify-Minimum-System-Requirements-for-Windows>

MAC: <https://examsoft.force.com/etcommunity/s/article/Exemplify-Minimum-System-Requirements-for-Mac-OS-X>

ATI: <https://www.atitesting.com/technical-requirements>

Important Note: Unsupported Systems and Configurations

Because of the specific requirements of some of the exam software used by the Bay State College School of Nursing, the following systems and configurations are **NOT** supported:

- Apple Macintosh OS X 10.10 "Yosemite" and earlier
- Apple iDevices (iPad, iPhone, etc.)

- Windows 8 and earlier (incl. XP and Windows 7)
- Microsoft Surface (RT versions)
- Linux
- Chromebooks