Department of Nursing Technology Requirements

The schedule and tasks of a college student frequently require multi-tasking with lots of windows open and may require taking online tests. Netbooks, specific tablets, and eReaders are not suited for this. Consider netbooks, tablets, or eReaders as note-taking, reading, media consumption, or email devices, not a primary computing device.

Undergraduate nursing students are required to have a laptop that meets the minimum requirements listed below, in addition to any University requirements.

Graduate nursing students can utilize a desktop or laptop that meets the following minimum requirements, in addition to any University requirements.

PCs Must Meet the Following Minimum Criteria
- Operating System: Windows 10
- Processor: Core i5 (8th generation)
- Memory: 16GB RAM
- Storage capacity: 500GB hard drive (solid state drive)
- Integrated webcam or external webcam

Mac OSX Computers Must Meet the Following Minimum Criteria
- Operating System: Mac OS 11.7.4 Big Sur or newer
- Processor: Core i5
- Memory: 8GB RAM
- Storage capacity: 256GB hard drive (solid state drive)
- Integrated webcam or external webcam

Software Recommendations
- Microsoft Office 365 for Windows and Mac (PowerPoint, Word, Excel, Access, Outlook and Publisher.)
- Students can download Microsoft Office from their Office 365 environment to their device.
- Adobe Acrobat Reader is available as a free download.
- Individual courses for all majors may require additional software specific to the course.

Web Browsers
- For Bradley Email functions the University recommends using Google Chrome • For Undergraduate Nursing ATI standardized testing, ATI recommends Mozilla Firefox or Google Chrome

If you desire to purchase a new computer (Mac or PC) please feel free to contact the Campus Computer Sales to compare software and hardware pricing. Before purchasing a security suite or security software package that contains antivirus and/or firewall and spam filtering, please be aware that Bradley University offers some tools to students and employees free of charge via the Help Desk. For all hardware and purchases, see the link provided below:
https://www.bradley.edu/sites/it/help/servicedesk/student-laptop/

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