

KUMC Health Information Management Program

Student Computer Requirements

Since technology is an integral part of health care, we feel that it should also be an integral part of your learning experience here at KUMC. The use of technology as a student on a daily basis will better prepare you to be a successful HIM professional.

Computers have been a part of the HIM curriculum over the past 10 years and since 2006, each incoming student has been required to own their own personal laptop or tablet computer. Below is a listing of our *minimum* laptop/tablet requirements:

Operating System	Vista Home Premium SP1 or higher Vista Business SP1 or higher Vista Ultimate SP1 or higher Windows 7 Home Premium Windows 7 Professional Windows 7 Ultimate
Software Required	Microsoft Office Professional 2007_or 2010 (can be purchased from myKUMC at a discount) Microsoft Visio Standard 2007 or 2010 (can be purchased from myKUMC at a discount) Adobe X Reader Antivirus software (must be current). Microsoft has a free antivirus/spyware program that can be download from: http://www.microsoft.com/security_essentials/
Software Recommend	Automatic backup software (usually comes with the backup drive or Windows Vista and Windows 7 have a backup program)
Processor Speed	MINIMUM: Core Duo Processor (1.6GHz+ recommended) or comparable AMD processor RECOMMENDED: Core i5 or i7 processor or comparable AMD processor
Memory	MINIMUM: 2 GB RAM RECOMMENDED: 4 GB RAM
Hard Drive	80 GB or more
Graphics Card	MINIMUM: 128 MB Video memory RECOMMENDED: 256 MB Video memory or higher
Wireless Card	802.11 g
Drives	CD/RW DVD (recommended) External Hard Drive (for backups)
Recommend Accessories	Laptop Backpack Carrying Case Insurance/Service warranty (www.safeware.com is one option)

Notes

Not all classrooms have power outlets, so you will need a battery that will last at least 4 hours. The university will not be able to provide any technical support for your personal device.
Netbooks do NOT meet our minimum requirements

If purchasing a Mac, it is also required to purchase the following software:

1. Parallels Desktop for Mac (www.parallels.com) or VMWare Fusion
2. Windows XP, Vista or Windows 7
3. Office 2010 Professional – You will be taking classes that use Microsoft Access; this software piece is NOT available in the Office for Mac suite and only for the Windows version of the Office suite; hence the need to install

If you already have a laptop or tablet, then make sure that it meets the above listed requirements.

If you have not yet purchased a laptop or tablet, then use this list as a guide for your purchase. **Note:** As a KUMC student, you are eligible for a discount through [Dell's Education Purchase Program](#), which may be found through the [mykumc portal](#). You will have access to the mykumc portal after being accepted as a student.

Because owning your own laptop/tablet PC is a requirement of the HIM Program, the expense is eligible for financial aid (up to \$2500). Students are responsible for contacting the Financial Aid Department at (913) 588-5170 to complete the appropriate paperwork.

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As an HIM student, you will be responsible for coming to class with a fully charged and working computer that meets the *minimum* laptop/tablet requirements. During class time you should be prepared to use your computer for any of the following tasks:

- Accessing and downloading course documents
- Turning in assignments
- Taking notes
- Taking quizzes & exams
- Completing assignments
- Posting to discussion boards
- Accessing the internet

With your computer, you will have access to KUMC's network where you will get to the internet in order to access ANGEL, the online course delivery system. The internet may be accessed through a wireless connection in all classrooms or through a hard-connection only in the HIM Computer Lab. The HIM Program also has industry-specific software (3M, Cerner, Epic) that you will be required to use for assignments.

- It is the student's responsibility to maintain a backup of all work. "Lost" work will not be accepted as an excuse to miss an assignment.
- It is the student's responsibility to maintain a functional laptop/tablet that meets the minimum computer requirements at all times. Failure to do so may result in a "0" for an exam or assignment.
- The University will not provide technical support for your personal laptop/tablet. It is your responsibility to maintain your system and to minimize any downtime.
- For students who use Macs, the expectations remain the same as students who use PCs.

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I, (PRINT NAME) _____, acknowledge that I have read the **HIM STUDENT COMPUTER REQUIREMENTS** and agree to its terms as part of my participation as a student in the Health Information Management Program.

Signature _____ Date _____