Incoming Student Laptop Requirements

- a. Laptop computer (PC or Mac) with at least a 13-inch screen with minimum of 1024 x 768 resolution
- b. Minimum of 8GB RAM
- c. Minimum of 250GB HDD space (larger would be better) and maintaining at least 30GB of free space throughout the program
- d. Minimum of 1.6GHz processor (Core i5 or better)
- e. 256mb video card
- f. PC users must run either Windows 7, Windows 8.1 or Windows 10. Mac users must have OS Mavericks (10.9) or higher
- g. Microsoft Office 2010 or later (This can be purchased from the School Bookstore at educational pricing if needed)
- h. Off campus internet access
- i. An up-to-date virus scanner must be installed
- j. Windows users should install Malwarebytes Anti-Malware Free Version
- k. Monitor privacy filter (3M make filters for many different makes and models of laptop)

NB. Microsoft Surface tablets are not sufficient to meet the laptop requirements but may be used as an additional device in a similar way to an iPad.

Encryption

In order to use your laptop at the School, the hard drive in your machine must be encrypted.

Mac users must turn on FileVault 2.

PC users must install Symantec Encryption software (unless they already have Bitlocker installed and active). Instructions for downloading and installing the software will be sent to students who are confirmed as attending UTSD. Do not run both Symantec and Bitlocker or your hard drive may become inaccessible.

All students will be required to sign a statement declaring that they will keep their computer hard drives encrypted for as long as they are students of the UT School of Dentistry.

Your laptop will be reviewed during Orientation to ensure that it complies with these specifications.

Airwatch

Students attending UTSD may also get their School email sent to their cell phone (iPhone, Droid or Windows phone only). In order to do this you must have your UT login credentials and install the Airwatch MDM application on your phone.

Additional Information can be found at: https://inside.uth.edu/dcos/mobile-device-management/

If you have any questions about computer specifications or requirements please contact Patrick Finley at Gordon.Finnerty@uth.tmc.edu / 713-486-4183 or Richard "Hal" Halpin at Richard.Halpin@uth.tmc.edu / 713-486-4216.

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