

UNMC: College of Dentistry

Student Computer Requirements

All College of Dentistry students are required to bring their own **wireless computing device (iPad or laptop) AND a separate device with internet access and a camera, like a cellphone**. Examples of how these devices will be utilized include but are not limited to: retrieving and viewing lecture notes or presentation slides; viewing videos; taking examinations; completing e-learning modules; remote proctoring of exam takers and other basic computing tasks (word processing, PDF reader) as well as internet-based activities (research, email, web conferencing, exams, Canvas).

While your mobile phone will be useful during your time at the College of Dentistry, it is not an appropriate device for some of the tasks you will need to perform during your education. **Android tablets are not supported by our testing software and therefore cannot be used to meet your device requirement.**

We highly recommend the use of the iPad to take advantage of resources used within the program(s).

Minimum System Requirements:

1. Please review the minimum requirements for [ExamSoft](#), the software used for computer-based testing in the College of Dentistry. Meeting these minimum requirements ensures that your device is compatible for examinations. ***However, we recommend that you go above the minimum requirements since the device will most likely be used for other activities during your education.***
2. Internet Access (in your home, at a hotel, etc.)
3. Camera and Microphone (for Zoom classroom sessions)
4. Internet Browser
 - Internet Explorer, make sure it is updated to the latest version available from <https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/download>
 - Firefox browser, make sure it is updated to the latest version available from <http://www.mozilla.com>.
 - Safari browser, make sure it is updated to the latest version available from <https://support.apple.com/downloads/safari>.
 - Chrome browser, make sure it is updated to the latest version available from <https://www.google.com/chrome/browser/desktop/index.html>.
5. Computer should have all the latest patches and updates downloaded and installed.
6. A 2nd device with a camera and microphone (like a cellphone) and internet access will be used during remote proctored exam sessions.

Additional UNMC Resources: Current UNMC students have access to FREE Microsoft Office downloads with their UNMC Office 365 account and can also purchase [discounted Microsoft products](#) to comply.

Financial Aid: The cost of a device is not included within your tuition and fees as many of you may already have such a device. For those who need to purchase a device and do not already have funding for the purchase, there is a [Special Circumstances request form](#) that can be completed to request funding assistance. Computer allowance up to \$2,500 one time during your education at UNMC is allowed.