WVU School of Public Health Laptop/Computer Systems Requirement Agreement

Student Name (printed)______ Student ID Number______

Overview

The School of Public Health requires minimum computer system specification to ensure that Public Health students can maximize their educational efforts. Students may choose the type of computing technology (e.g., desktop, laptop) best suited to their department and program. The system requirements in this document provide the minimum system specifications needed to run a core set of software and applications currently being used in the School of Public Health. Use these requirements to guide your decision when purchasing or bringing a laptop/computer to the School of Public Health for your course of study.

Due to the dynamic nature of health research, compiling a comprehensive list of all software used for the successful completion of a degree is beyond the scope of this document. Check departmental website for additional information on required software.

Scope:

The minimum computer specifications represent the minimum requirements necessary for the following software:

	Productivity Tools			
Internet	Statistical Software	Macintosh	Microsoft	Other
Firefox	SAS	Pages	Word	SOLE
Safari	JMP (32-bit version)	Numbers	Excel	Camtasia
Internet Explorer	R	Keynote	PowerPoint	WIMBA
Java	SPSS*	Mail	Outlook	
Silverlight	STATA**	Microsoft Office for Mac	Access	
	Qualtrics			

* See minimum specification for SPSS details

** To prevent swapping between virtual and physical RAM, STATA recommends that the stem RAM be at least twice the size of the largest data set being analyzed.

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I will maintain the following minimum system requirements on my computer while enrolled in the School of Public Health:

	Windows PC	Apple Macintosh
Operating	MINIMUM	MINIMUM
System	Windows XP (SP2 or SP3 [32Bit])	Mac OS 10.5.8 (Leopard)
	Vista [32 Bit]	
	RECOMMENDED	
	Windows 7 [32 Bit]	RECOMMENDED
		Mac OS X 10.6 (Snow Leopard for SPSS,
		see memory specs) or higher
Processor	Intel Pentium 4 or better	Intel-based processor, 1.6 GHz or higher
Memory*	1 GB RAM (2GB+ recommended)	1 GB RAM (2GB with Mac OS 10.6; 2GB+
		recommended)
Display	1074 x 787 or better	1074 x 787 or better (1280 x 800 or
		better for Office for Mac 2011)
Graphics Card	Direct X 9.0c compatible graphics card	Direct X 9.0c compatible graphics card
	with drivers dated 1 November 2004	with a minimum of 64 MB RAM
Windows		Parallels Desktop for Mac
Emulation		(http://www.parallels.com)
Software		or VMware Fusion
		(<u>http://www.vmware.com</u>)
Internet	Internet Explorer 7+ (IE 7, XP and Vista;	Internet Explorer 7+, Firefox 3.6+
Browser	IE 8, Windows 7)	Safari 3+ (Limited support with SOLE;
	Firefox 3.6+	Safari 5+, MS Office for Mac)
Productivity	Microsoft Office 2003 or later	Microsoft Office for Mac 2004 or later
Tools		
Miscellaneous	Adobe Flash , Adobe Reader, JAVA	Adobe Flash , Adobe Reader, JAVA

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Additional Comments:

These specifications DO NOT INCLUDE any recommendation for the size of a hard drive. Allot space for multimedia when deciding on the capacity of an internal or external hard drive. Camtasia media files (instructional videos frequently used for class) use approximately 2 GB per recording hour.

Netbooks are becoming more popular with their low prices. If considering a netbook, the amount of RAM, processor speed, display requirements, graphics drivers, and hard drive space should be carefully considered.

IT Support

There is **NO** hardware or software support for students in the School of Public Health from the Health Sciences Center (HSC) IT department. All hardware and software support must be arranged by the student with the vendor from which the computer was purchased or other third party.

Anti-Spam, Anti-Virus Policy

- The Anti-Spam, Anti-Virus Policy: <u>http://oit.wvu.edu/standards/anti-spam-anti-virus-policy/</u>
- Anti-Virus software: <u>http://oit.wvu.edu/tsc/antivirus/</u>

Computing Standards and Policies

- Quick overview for WVU students: <u>http://oit.wvu.edu/resources/students/</u>
- Office of Information Technology (OIT), list of all standards and procedures that relate to WVU students: http://oit.wvu.edu/standards/category/students/
- Health Sciences Center Information Technology Services (ITS) policies and procedures: <u>http://www.hsc.wvu.edu/its/Administration/PoliciesProcedures/Default.aspx</u>

Student Information

- Further information about student resources and the Health Sciences Center Information Technology Services: <u>http://www.hsc.wvu.edu/its/Students/</u>
- None of the information concerning hardware and software support under the Health Sciences Center Laptop Program is applicable to the School of Public Health students.

Terms and Conditions Acceptance Statement

I have read the School of Public Health laptop/computer systems requirements and agree to abide by the minimum requirements needed to run software used in School of Public Health courses. I understand that there will be no hardware or software support for students in the School of Public Health from the HSC IT department and that it is my responsibility to maintain my own laptop/computer.

Student Signature	Date