

Technology Requirements for On-Site and Distance Education Programs

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All School of Nursing students, both onsite and distance, will have selected courses, many of which are available primarily by computer. Each student entering the School, both onsite and distance, **must** have access to a **Windows-based** or **Macintosh-based** computer which they are responsible to maintain. The following is a detailed description of the computer hardware, software and data communication requirements. Please take the time to familiarize yourself with these requirements to assure that your computer system fully meets them.

Minimum Requirements

- A **computer** purchased within the last 2 years will generally meet the minimum computer hardware requirements. Note: you must take your quizzes/exams on a computer (desktop or laptop). Honorlock (our current proctoring application) does **NOT** work on iPads, tablets or phones. Dual monitors may be used, but will need to be disconnected when taking quizzes/exams
- **Operating System:** Microsoft Windows 10; Mac OSX 10.13 and higher
- **Webcam:** integrated or attached webcam device **WITH** mic (most laptops have mic and camera integrated)
- MS Word and PowerPoint are required; current version MS Office 2010, 2013 or Office 365 recommended *
- **Internet browsers:** Google Chrome (minimum version 79) when taking a Honorlock proctored exam. Please note: additional browsers (Safari, Firefox and Edge may be used to access other University and SON resources, but Chrome is required for proctored exams.

Recommendations

- Virus scanning software is highly recommended *

* Current versions of MS Office and Symantec anti-virus may be available free from Campus. Since the School of Nursing does not administer these offerings they are subject to change. Registered students can obtain more information about these offers from the [Stony Brook University Division of Information Technology website](#)

It is strongly recommended that students use a computer dedicated for their own use rather than sharing a computer with others when completing the Distance Education Program. Students are required to maintain their computer hardware and operating systems in proper functioning order. Please call Tech Support (631) 444-7505 or email son_it_help@stonybrook.edu, if you have any questions or need any additional information.