Computer Information for Incoming DAAP Students
Presenter

Aaron Rucker
IT Manager, College of DAAP: Facilities and Infrastructure
Aaron.Rucker@uc.edu
513-582-9781

Please reach out for questions you have regarding this presentation.
Reason for this Presentation

To clarify the options and suggestions for the computer requirement for an incoming DAAP student.
Student Computers at DAAP

• All DAAP programs have a computer requirement.

• Systems and capabilities are specific to the needs of the program.

• Navigate to https://daap.uc.edu, select Current Students, then select New Student Orientation, then navigate to Computer Recommendations:
  • Each school and its program are listed, expand your enrolled program to view the approved options.
  • Links to online ordering are listed.
Purchasing

• After navigating to the enrolled program, the approved options for computers are listed with links to online ordering.

• Current vendors are Apple Computer for MacBook and MacBook Pro (for MacOS) and Dell Computer for Latitude and Precision workstations (for Windows).
Software Requirements: Microsoft Office

• Microsoft Office365 Products
  • Must have an active UC email account, navigate to https://mail.uc.edu
  • Navigate the waffle (3x3 grid) icon to download the following applications
    • Word
    • Powerpoint
    • Excel
    • Teams
    • OneDrive
Software Requirements: Adobe Creative Cloud

- Adobe CC Products
  - Use your UC email account to fast track your educational eligibility
  - Cost is $240 for the first year, currently $360 per year thereafter.
  - Install the following applications used by most DAAP Programs
    - Photoshop
    - Illustrator
    - InDesign
    - Acrobat DC
Recommended Accessories

• External three button mouse
• Security cable or lock for the laptop
• Protective case or backpack
• External hard drive for local backups
  • 1TB or larger in size
• USB flash drive
  • 8-32GB is sufficient
Insurance

- Many of the options include 3 to 5 year warranties
- Carefully read the warranty terms to ensure they meet your needs
- Additional insurance is recommended
- Keep in mind laptop repairs can be costly
- Recommended Systems have accidental insurance options
  - Apple Systems have AppleCare+
  - Dell Systems have Pro Support with Accidental Coverage
Why buy one of the options listed?

• Hardware is certified to run the specialized professional level software

• With known and tested configurations, students receive better support from the DAAP IT staff

• Some of the programs have very intensive needs

• You get a great deal on a workstation or business class (not consumer) computer
Common Questions

• When should I buy the hardware and software?

• What if I already have a computer or desire another system?

• How long do you expect the computers to last?

• https://daap.uc.edu/current-students/incoming-students/computers.html
Thank You for Viewing!