

Upstate Master's Of Public Health – Laptop Recommendations

Students in the Upstate Medical University Masters in Public Health program are required to own a laptop.

If you are purchasing a new laptop, the machine should meet the following minimum specifications:

A Windows Laptop with at least a 2.4 GHz Intel Core 2 Duo processor with 4Gb of RAM, 160Gb hard drive, wireless network ability and a DVD drive. Windows 7 Operating System.

A Macintosh Laptop with at least a 2.4 GHz Intel Core 2 Duo processor with 4Gb of RAM, 160Gb hard drive, wireless network ability and a DVD drive. OS-X 10.6 (Snow Leopard) Operating System. *(Some of the software required for the Master's program requires Windows technology. Although it is possible to run that software on a Macintosh computer, it will be more costly to do so. There is also limited local technical support for implementing the Windows operating system on the Macintosh.)*

In most cases laptop computers **less than 4 years old** should meet the above minimum specifications with the possible exception of adequate RAM. It is recommended that consideration be given to upgrading the computer's RAM to 4 Gb.

Students also need to have installed Microsoft Office on the laptops.

Upstate will provide students with anti-virus software.

Both Upstate Medical University and Syracuse University have access to discounts on computer and software purchases.

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