

DNP Computing and Technology Requirements

All DNP students must have access to a laptop or desktop computer that follows the SON computer minimum standards by the first class meeting of the semester. Computers are available for use on a 'First come, First Served' basis at both the Kornhauser (HSC Campus) and Ekstrom (Belknap Campus) libraries. Subject to library hours of operation and availability. At this time students are not required to bring a laptop to every class meeting although some will find it useful.

The minimum technology standards and recommendations were developed to meet the requirements specified by the DAAC, and ensure the ability to access the University's Learning Management System online. Distance learning via digital video that is captured on the computer for viewing class as it takes place requires a fast internet connection for smooth and timely delivery.

Minimum requirements

- Processor: Intel Core i3, AMD Dual Core or MacBook i3
- OS: Windows 7 Home Premium (32bit or 64 bit), or Apple Mac OS X Mountain Lion
- Memory: 4GB RAM
- Hard Drive: 250GB 5400 rpm
- Graphics: Any
- Wi-Fi: 802.11 g/n
- Primary Battery: 3 Cell
- Webcam: Any external or built-in 720p
- Speakers: Any
- Warranty: 2 year
- Productivity software: Microsoft Office 2013 (Must include Word, Excel, PowerPoint)(Office is offered at no cost to students through the University).
- Exam Proctoring software: Respondus Lockdown Browser*(Offered at no cost to students through the University)

Recommended requirements

- Processor: Intel Core i5, AMD Quad Core or MacBook i5 or above
- OS: Windows 7 or 10 Professional (32bit or 64 bit), or Apple Mac OS X Mountain Lion
- Memory: 4 or 8 GB RAM(Memory configurations above 4GB are typically beneficial with 64bit O/S only)
- Hard Drive: 250GB 7200 rpm or SSD drive
- Graphics: Any
- Wi-Fi: 802.11 ac/n Dual Band
- Primary Battery: 6 or 9 Cell
- Webcam: Any external or built-in 1080p with HD
- Speakers: Any
- Warranty: 4 year with Accidental Damage Protection
- Productivity software: Microsoft Office 2016 or 365 (Must include Word, Excel, PowerPoint),(Office is offered at no cost to students through the University).
- Exam Proctoring software: Respondus Lockdown Browser* (Offered to students at no cost through the University)

*Respondus Lockdown Browser is an online exam proctoring technology that enables students to take proctored exams from the comfort and convenience of their own homes or offices. Respondus uses a student's webcam and microphone, as well as the software, to prevent access to disallowed information while taking an exam. Respondus also identifies a student and records a video, audio, and screen capture throughout the student's exam. – All of which are communicated to restricted-access secure servers and viewed by proctors. Video, audio, and screen capture are monitored for ensuring academic integrity during the testing process and comply with accreditation standards. Repondus is required for all DNP and Post Master's Certificate specialties.