



### MINIMUM COMPUTER STANDARDS

Please keep the following hardware requirements in mind when selecting a laptop to use at Truett McConnell University (TMU). Systems purchased within the past two (2) years will typically be outfitted with the recommended features. Please confirm that your laptop meets these requirements. Remember that if your laptop does not meet the minimum requirements, among other issues, you will not have access to the TMU network and some software or services may not be available. Please note that TMU does not support or repair personal devices or computers.

	Computer Hardware Specifications
<b>Monitor</b>	Personal Preference
<b>Operating System</b>	Windows 10 Home or higher –OR– macOS 11.0 or higher.
<b>Recommended Processor/CPU</b>	AMD Ryzen R5 or R7 / Intel Core i5 or i7 processor
<b>RAM</b>	8 GB - For best performance, we recommend that you install as much memory as affordable at the time of purchase.
<b>Hard Drive</b>	250GB Solid State Drive or larger is highly recommended. – OR – 1TB Hard Drive at 7200RPM is acceptable.
<b>Networking Hardware</b>	Wireless – Wi-Fi 6 capable device recommended. Wired – Ethernet Port or USB Ethernet Adapter if desired.
<b>Software</b>	Office 365 – Microsoft Office suite is <i>free</i> for Truett students – Login with your TMU credentials @ <a href="http://portal.office365.com/">http://portal.office365.com/</a>
<b>Anti-Virus</b>	A current anti-virus program is recommended on all computers and tablets.

\*Note that most netbooks and tablets (e.g. Apple iPad, Galaxy Tab and others that run on an operating system designed specifically for the device) – even if they have a full keyboard - do NOT meet the minimum hardware requirements above. While they may initially provide sufficient performance for basic tasks such as web browsing or simple word processing, use of technical software in courses may not be possible. **Google Chromebooks are highly discouraged.**

**Backup or Cloud Storage:** for documents, files, and pictures. An external hard drive with double the size of the internal hard drive or you can back up important items on OneDrive (cloud storage) that is provided for free (5TB of space) through your Truett Office 365 email account.

**Accessories (optional):**

- Wireless Mouse
- Dongles for connecting to an external display or projection device may be required
- USB flash drive – Minimum of 8GB is recommended.
- Ethernet cable – to plug into the network if desired.
- Laptop anti-theft cable lock

**Warranty & Support:** Extended warranties (three years, in general) are highly recommended. These warranties normally cover hardware problems as well as system troubleshooting via phone or email. (Additional accidental damage coverage should be considered, if available.)