

POLICY TITLE: MINIMAL TECHNOLOGY REQUIREMENTS

Policy

Students **must** have continuous access to a computer and the Internet in order to take full advantage of the instructional delivery opportunities provided by the various nursing programs. As a result of the increasing emphasis on mobility in today's technology marketplace, a notebook computer (laptop) is required.

Email Accounts

Each student is provided with an email alias upon enrollment at UH. The alias is an address that does not have a mailbox, but forwards all messages to the student's own personal email account. While a student, the University will send all official correspondence to the UH.EDU address. Students may call UIT Help Desk at 713-743-1411 for assistance with questions regarding UH email.

CougarNet Account

Students will receive an email notification regarding their CougarNet account after enrolling in a class at UH. The CougarNet account and password will be used to log into Access UH (<https://accessuh.uh.edu>), which will allow access to Blackboard and other services provided by the University. Students may call UIT Help Desk at 713-743-1411 with questions regarding CougarNet.

Minimum Recommended Computer and Software Specifications

Students **must** have individual and personal access to a computer with Internet connectivity for testing, file management, email, and online course activities. High-speed Internet access is **strongly** recommended if available.

The following hardware and software specifications are required:

Hardware	
<p>PC Configuration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Processor: Intel Dual Core processor or higher • Operating System: Windows 7 or higher • Memory: 4 GB RAM (8 GB or higher recommended) • Hard drive: 150 GB or higher • DSL, LAN or cable broadband internet • CD/DVD-RW optional • USB port(s); USB 2.0 or 3.0 • Sound card with speakers • Screen resolution set to 1024x768 or higher • Webcam USB Headset with microphone • USB Flash drive for data storage/transfer; 2 GB or higher recommended • Privacy screen 	<p>Mac Configuration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Processor: Intel Dual Core processor or higher Operating System: Mac OS X - 10.9 or higher • Memory: 4 GB RAM (8 GB or higher recommended) • Hard drive: 150 GB or higher • DSL, LAN or cable broadband internet • CD/DVD-RW optional • USB port(s); USB 2.0 or 3.0 • Sound card with speakers • Screen resolution set to 1024x768 or higher • Webcam USB Headset with microphone • USB Flash drive for data storage/transfer; 2 GB or higher recommended • Privacy screen

Software
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Microsoft Office Suite 2013 or higher with Word, Excel, PowerPoint. • Adobe Acrobat Reader DC Version 2017. or higher (free) • Adobe Flash Player Version 26.x or higher (free) • Exemplify Examsoft Testing Software (Downloaded during orientation session) • Windows Media Player 12 or higher (free) • Java Version 8 (free) • Up-to-date anti-virus software (free or paid) • Internet Browser(s): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Internet Explorer 11 or higher (free) WIN ○ Firefox Latest Version (free) WIN/MAC ○ Safari 11 or higher (free) MAC ○ Chrome Latest Version (free) WIN/MAC

Approved by CON Faculty Council: 08/14/2017
Approved by Dean Kathryn Tart: 08/14/2017