



## Bring your own device – FAQs

### What type of device am I required to have?

The following laptop specifications are recommended:

- **Operating System:** Windows 10 or higher (Windows 11 is recommended). macOS is also suitable if you have specific programs related to your field of study.
- **Processor:** A processor with four cores or higher. A multi-core processor provides better performance for multitasking and running resource-intensive applications.
- **RAM:** 8GB RAM or higher. More RAM allows for smoother multitasking performance with applications like data analysis software, virtual machines, image/video editing tools.
- **Storage:** 512GB Solid State Drive (SSD) or higher. An SSD provides faster boot times and improves overall system responsiveness compared to traditional Hard Disk Drives (HDDs).
- **USB-C Port:** Ensure your laptop has a USB-C port that supports both USB-C and DisplayPort over USB-C.

### Do these specifications apply to all fields of study?

These specifications are a general guideline that will meet most of your needs. However, some specific programs or courses may have unique software or hardware requirements. Speak with your School for any course-specific laptop recommendations or additional requirements.

### Can I use a Mac laptop instead of a Windows laptop?

Yes, macOS is a suitable operating system for your studies. However, please note that some software applications used in specific fields of study may have better performance on Windows. If you prefer macOS, ensure that it can run any required software.

### What other factors should I consider when choosing a laptop?

When selecting a laptop, consider factors such as battery life, portability, and price. Your laptop is an investment in your education and should also meet your personal computing needs beyond coursework.

### How do I connect my device to Unifi and the virtual desktop?

Follow these [get tech-ready to study](#) steps or visit any Library Information Desk for assistance connecting to Unifi. Once connected, you will automatically have access to your virtual desktop and its applications.