

**Ernest Mario School of Pharmacy, Rutgers University**  
**Computer Requirements for PharmD Students: AY2026/2027**

**Basic computer device requirements:** All students in the professional years need computer laptops that meet University specs: <https://it.rutgers.edu/computer-recommendations-for-rutgers-students/>

- Student devices should be Windows or Mac OS based laptops, since these are designed to support our Learning Management System (LMS) and our electronic testing tools.
- Students cannot depend on iPads or ultraportable tablets because they do not support our LMS and electronic testing tools, nor should a Chromebook be used as a primary device at any time

**Specific recommendations for operating systems:**

	<b>Windows Laptops</b>	<b>Macintosh Laptops</b>
<b>Operating system</b>	64-bit version of Windows 11 Home or Windows 11 Pro	OS X 15 (Sequoia) or later
<b>CPU Processor</b>	Intel Core i5 (10th-generation CPU or later), AMD Ryzen Zen 2 and up (must be Windows 11 compatible) <a href="#">Click here for a list of Windows 11 compatible processors</a> <a href="#">Click for list of AMD supported processors</a>	Apple M1 or higher recommended but older Intel processors that can run OS X 15 (Sequoia) or higher are acceptable
<b>RAM</b>	8 GB or greater	8 GB or better (MacBook Pro comes standard with 8GB)
<b>Hard Drive</b>	256 GBs (solid state drives are preferred)	256 GB
<b>Screen Resolution</b>	1280×800 or higher	1280×800 or higher
<b>Webcam &amp; Mic</b>	Integrated webcam and microphone	Integrated webcam and microphone
<b>Privacy Screen</b>	Correct size privacy screen (designed for your make/model of computer)	Correct size privacy screen (designed for your make/model of computer)

**Google Chrome** is the recommended web browser; others, such as Firefox or MS Edge, are acceptable.

**EXAM requirements:** For all in-person exams, students should bring fully charged devices, device charger, mouse (if needed), and privacy screen that covers the laptop screen completely. Note: you may not be permitted to take an exam if you do not have a privacy screen.

*It is the student's responsibility to come to exams with the appropriate equipment. Faculty may use discretion in rescheduling/restructuring exams if student equipment is inadequate. **IMPORTANT: All files, browser tabs and windows must be closed prior to entering the exam hall.***

**Questions? See below.**

**Computing Policy:** [Rutgers Office of Information Technology Computing Policies and Guidelines.](#)

**Remote Technology Resources for Students:** [technology resources Rutgers students.](#)

**Canvas support for students:** [Canvas helpdesk](#); Email: help@oit.rutgers.edu; Canvas Help Phone: 833-648-4357