

**Ernest Mario School of Pharmacy, Rutgers University**  
**Computer Requirements for PharmD Students: AY2024/2025**

**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.

**Specific recommendations for operating systems:**

|                          | <b>Windows Laptops</b>   | <b>Macintosh Laptops</b>  |
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| <b>Operating system</b>  | 64 bit version of Windows 10 or Windows 11 Pro. Note: Windows 10 RT and 10 S operating systems are not adequate for our learning management and testing tools. | OS X 14 or later (Sonoma)   |
| <b>CPU Processor</b>     | Intel Core i5, or better (10th-generation CPU or later)  | Apple M1 or higher recommended but older Intel processors that can run OS X 14 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