

Program Technology Recommendations and Requirements

Technology Recommendations

Students in the Health Information Technology (HIT) program must have access to a personal computer with camera access that meets specific technical standards. (see details below)

- A Windows-compatible laptop or desktop computer is essential for program success.
- Students should have a working knowledge of basic computer programs such as Microsoft Office.
- Access to a scanner, printer, and reliable high-speed internet is necessary to complete coursework and assignments.
- The college offers limited access to technology resources (e.g., Windows laptops and internet hotspots). These are issued on a temporary basis and subject to availability.
- Students are strongly encouraged to have their own compatible computer equipment to fully participate in the program.
- Microsoft Office 365 (Word, PowerPoint, Excel, etc.) is available for free to Anoka Technical College students; purchasing it separately is not required.
- Macs, Chromebooks, and tablets are not recommended due to reported compatibility issues.
- Students are expected to independently troubleshoot internet and software problems.

Technology Requirements

CPU: Intel i5(10th gen or newer) or AMD Ryzen 5 Intel i7/Ryzen 7

RAM: 16 GB 16GB

Storage: 256 GB SSD 512 GB SSD or higher

Display: 13”-15” Full HD (1920x1080) Larger display if you’ll be splitting your screen or use two monitors

Battery Life: 6+ hours (for laptops) 8+ hours preferred

Ports: USB-A, USB-C, HDMI (or adapter) Useful for connecting to monitors and peripherals

Webcam & Mic: Required For virtual meetings

Graphics: Integrated graphics are fine Dedicated GP not necessary