College of Engineering and Applied Science

Minimum Laptop Specifications 2019 – 2020 (Last Updated 2018/11/21)

The following laptop configuration was developed by the Office of College Computing (OCC) for CEAS. These are **recommended minimum** configurations.

Certain academic programs require a different configuration, so please check with your specific Department for additional requirements.

- The Department of Civil and Architectural Engineering and Construction Management's (CAECM) laptop specification can be found at: CAECM-Student-Laptop-Specs, which contains a link to purchase their preferred Dell model.
- The Department of Mechanical and Materials Engineering (MME) and the Department of Aerospace Engineering and Engineering Mechanics (AEEM) require the use of Siemens software. The Dell Precision 3520 specification listed on the 2nd page meets the hardware requirements of the Siemens software, and is available on the CEAS Dell Portal site, www.Dell.com/UC_CEAS.

The CEAS Dell Portal site will also carry a lower end Dell laptop that meets the specifications listed below, but does not meet the specific hardware requirements for the above two programs. Please see the 2nd page for more details.

Minimum Recommended Laptop Specifications

- Intel® CoreTM i7 Processor
- 16GB DDR4 SDRAM
- Dedicated video card with minimum 2GB of video memory
- HDMI port for external monitor/projector
- HDMI cable
- 512GB Solid State Drive or 500GB (5400 rpm) SATA hard drive
- Audio
- 10/100/1000 Network interface
- Wireless 802.11 ac dual band
- USB 3.0 ports
- OS: Windows 10 Professional or higher, 64-bit

Additional Considerations

- Due to the nature of how laptops are used, an extended warranty may be an option to consider.
- CEAS OCC does not officially support Mac OS X. If the student choses to purchase an Apple laptop, it should meet the similar specifications listed above, in addition to running a compatible virtual platform, such as VMWare Fusion, with Windows 10 Professional 64-bit installed for software that may require a Windows platform.
- A Mini DisplayPort to HDMI adapter will be needed, if applicable.
- Students may also want to consider a 1TB or larger USB external hard drive for backing up their computer system.

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CEAS Recommended Models

Dell Inspiron 15 7000

8th Generation Intel(R) Core(TM) i7-8565U Processor (8MB Cache, up to 4.6 GHz)

16GB, DDR4, 2666MHz

512GB SSD Hard Drive

NVIDIA GeForce MX150 2GB GDDR5

15.6-inch FHD (1920 x 1080) LED-Backlit Non-Touch Display

Windows 10 Professional

HDMI, Ethernet

USB 3.0, USB 2.0

Security Slot

ProSupport Plus 3 Years (Includes Accidental)

\$1149.00

Dell Precision 15 3530

Intel Core i7-8750H (6 Core, 9MB Cache, 2.20GHz, 4.1GHz Turbo, 35W)

16GB DDR4-2666MHz SDRAM, 2 DIMMS, Non-ECC

512GB SSD Hard Drive

Nvidia Quadro P600 w/4GB GDDR5

15.6" FHD 1920x1080, Anti-Glare Non-Touch, 72% color gamut, WVA, Mic only,

WWAN Capable

Windows 10 Professional

SD Card Reader

HDMI, VGA, Ethernet

1 USB-C, 3 USB 3.1

Security Slot

ProSupport Plus 3 Years (Includes Accidental)

\$1525.00