College PC Recommendations

* Tablets/iPads are not recommended as a laptop/desktop replacement*

**CPU/Processor:** i3 or i5 or AMD equivalent

An i7 is nice but typically unnecessary and costly and the i5 will keep the student happy for their college career and lower end models like Celerons and Pentiums typically lack overall power.

**Hard Drive:** 500GB.

Terabyte drives (TB) also work but typically the best mix of speed and storage is with a 500GB drive. If the laptop has a solid state (SSD) drive minimum recommendation is 240GB in size.

**Ram/Memory:** 4-8GB

With Ram the more the better, Windows will run fine with 4 but even better on 8GB or more.

**Operating System:** Windows 7 or Windows 8/8.1 32 or 64 Bit. Windows 10*

*Windows 10 has not been released yet and hasn’t been tested to verify compatibility with all devices/software at this time.

Mac/OSX is supported but we cannot guarantee compatibility will all core class software or other requirements for individual classes, Windows Parallels or other Virtual Machine may be needed for ABAC software compatibility

Alternative Operating Systems such as Chrome OS (Chromebooks) and Linux operating systems are not recommended as your only computing device, the software that your classes may require and the print solution provided by ABAC does not support these operating systems.

**Software:** ABAC provides students with a copy of MS Office 2013 (and 2016 available this Fall) that is downloaded through their Stallions e-mail account, this is a subscription product that will be valid during attendance at ABAC.