All DKU students and faculty are required to bring a laptop. The campus is wireless. Printers will be available on campus.   Below is a list of features and minimum recommendations for your laptop. There is an IT team to support your software computing needs.

Feature	Minimum Recommended	Preferred (if applicable)	Rationale for Recommendation
Processor	i5 (Windows/Mac)	i7 (Windows/Mac)	The Windows 7 or Windows 8 operating system and applications written for it will require advanced processors to be used effectively.
Memory	4 GB	8 GB	Memory demands for Windows 7/8 will require at least 2 gigabyte (GB) of memory.
Hard disk	300 GB	500 GB	An increasing number of Duke courses use multimedia content, which greatly increases storage needs on personal computers.
Optical drive	DVD+/-RW (burns/reads CDs and DVDs)	DVD+/-RW (burns/reads CDs and DVDs)	Recordable DVDs are more capable for backing up and transporting today's larger computer files.
Networking	Built-in LAN 10/100 (Ethernet) for all systems; wireless for laptops (Windows: 802.11b/g/n; Mac: Airport Extreme)	Built-in LAN Gigabit (Ethernet) for all systems; wireless for laptops (Windows: 802.11n; Mac: Airport Extreme)	Wireless (**802.11 N**) is available in all residence halls. Please do not bring any personal routers to campus as this will interfere with available wireless.
Video RAM	256 MB	512 MB	Windows 7 and associated software will require a minimum of 256 MB video ram for multitasking functionality.
Operating system	Windows 7 Ultimate or Windows 8 Pro (available for students @ comp	Windows 7 Ultimate or Windows 8 Pro (available for students @ comp	

	store for $15), OS 10.8 (Mountain Lion)	store for $15), OS 10.8 (Mountain Lion)	
Support & protection	Extended warranty plan, including accidental damage coverage, for expected life of machine and a laptop bag to protect your computer.		
Software	Microsoft Office		