All UCLA medical students who have entered the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA under the Computer Requirement (instituted Fall 1996) are **required to have a computer and printer at home as well as high-speed internet connectivity** to electronically communicate and share documents with faculty, staff and other students, access data, and run web-based instructional programs. The School of Medicine provides a Technology Learning Center (TLC) in the BioMedical Library designed to meet the needs of medical students while at school.

*Please Note: If you receive financial aid, you will only be eligible to receive funds for the Computer Requirement in your first year. A separate "Purchasing Considerations" link is available to assist you with your purchase.*

**Platform**  Required: PC-Compatible or Mac; laptop or desktop manufactured in 2008 or later.

Laptop Considerations: We highly recommend purchasing a laptop as you can make use of the wireless network available in the School of Medicine, the BioMedical Library, and other campus locations. Be sure your laptop has wi-fi capability (as opposed to cellular). Refer to the Purchasing Considerations for more information.

Note: UCR students are required to have laptops.

**Internet Connectivity**  Required: High Speed (Broadband) Internet Connectivity

**Printer**  Required: A printer at home. Consideration: A laser or ink jet for printing out class notes/slides for class sessions.

**Operating Systems**
PC Minimum Requirement: Windows XP or Vista or Windows 7.
Mac Minimum Requirement: OS X(10)

**Productivity Tools**
PC Minimum Requirement: Word, Excel, and PowerPoint. Microsoft Office 2007 or above
Mac Minimum Requirement: Word, Excel, and PowerPoint. Microsoft Office 2008 or above

**Maintenance/Warranty and Insurance:**
Required: Obtain a 4 year warranty/maintenance agreement and insurance policy to cover your computer and printer.
Consideration: Desktop computers are typically covered under Renters Insurance; laptops may not be. Check your policy.

*For more Information on the Computer Requirement, please contact our resources.*