

Guidance Regarding Laptop Computers as a Requisite Tool

~ Make sure to obtain a laptop computer before you enroll at HU ~

From Academic Year 2015, every student at Hiroshima University is required to have and use a laptop computer in their academic activities.

You will use your laptop computer in classes of basics of information utilization and other IT-related classes. You will also use a computer and the Internet on a number of occasions, including when writing lecture reports and papers. Administrative procedures such as registration for classes and viewing your grades and credits, communication from teachers and the administrative office, etc. are made via the student information website MOMIJI (<https://momiji.hiroshima-u.ac.jp/>). Computers are often used in classes. You must bring your laptop computer to some classes when instructed to do so by your teachers. Therefore, you must obtain a laptop computer before the first school term starts.

Software programs necessary for your laptop computer will be provided by HU for free (*).

* See [Free Provision of Required Software Programs] on the next page.

Required Specifications of the Laptop Computer You Must Obtain Before Enrollment

(If you already have a laptop computer meeting these specifications, you may use it. You do not need to get a new one.)

Basic Specification : Laptop computer (Windows or Mac) which is easily portable *

Hardware specifications: Connectable to a network via wireless LAN

Operable for more than 8 hours by battery

Can smoothly run the following software programs **provided by HU:**

- Office 2016 Professional Plus (for Windows) or Office for Mac 2016 (for Mac)
- Word (Word processing), Excel (Spreadsheet), PowerPoint (Presentation)

- Anti-virus software

* For a computer with Windows 8 or later version, use Defender bundled with the OS as a standard feature.

* The original laptop computers of Hiroshima University Student Cooperative conform to these specifications.

Please note that students who will enroll in the following schools/departments must install the OS specified below:

- **School of Integrated Arts and Sciences, Department of Integrated Global Studies**
OS in Japanese or English. OS in other languages, such as Chinese, are not acceptable.
- **Students who enroll in the School of Letters, Department of Humanities and plan to major in Geography, Archaeology or Cultural Heritage in the second year**
CPU speed: 2.2 GHz or higher Memory / RAM 4 GB minimum, 8 GB recommended.
Mac OS is acceptable. If a student uses a Mac computer, an external storage of 256 GB or larger capacity is recommended.
- **School of Education, Cluster II, Program in Technology and Information Education**
Windows OS is a requisite OS.
If your computer runs on Mac OS, install Windows OS after enrolling at the university.*
- **School of Education, Cluster V, Program in Psychology; School of Science, Earth and Planetary Systems Science; School of Engineering Cluster I and Cluster II**
Windows OS is necessary in some classes. If your computer runs on Mac OS, install Windows OS after enrolling at the university.*
- **School of Science, Biological Science**
Windows is the requisite OS.
- **School of Informatics and Data Science**
Windows 10 is the requisite OS.

* Since Hiroshima University has a comprehensive license agreement with Microsoft, students can install Windows OS on a computer running on Mac OS for free after enrolling at the university.

[Important] If it is difficult for you to obtain a laptop computer due to financial difficulty:

A student who is eligible to apply for exemption or deferment of the enrollment fee payment may borrow a laptop computer from HU for free for one year. If you wish to borrow a laptop computer from HU, apply for free rental of a laptop computer when you submit an application for exemption or deferment of the enrollment fee payment.

Initial Lecture (required for all students)

All students must take the initial lecture on the use of computers on campus. See the attached “AY2018 Schedule for Initial Lecture on the Use of a Requisite Computer,” and take the lecture on the day designated for the department you will be enrolled in. In the initial lecture, you will learn how to access to campus wireless LAN, log in to the student information website MOMIJI, install and confirm the installation of anti-virus software, and other matters, so that you can use your laptop computer as soon as you start your campus life.

- If you purchase a computer from the Hiroshima University Student Co-op, you do not need to apply to participate in the lecture.

(The initial lecture is provided at the time you purchase a computer from the Student Co-op.)

- Students who already have a computer or who will purchase one from another vendor must apply to participate in the initial lecture by accessing the following URL or the QR code on the right:

<https://goo.gl/ASCjFg>



* If you cannot take the initial lecture on the designated date for an unavoidable reason, you must submit the Laptop Computer Check Report.

For information on the Student Co-op computer and other details, visit the website of Hiroshima University.

https://www.hiroshima-u.ac.jp/about/initiatives/jyoho_ka/hikkei_pc/

Free Provision of Requisite Software Programs

Hiroshima University has a comprehensive license agreement with Microsoft.

In accordance with this license agreement, students of HU may install the following software programs for free:

● Anti-virus software (for Windows / Mac)

Students of HU may use an anti-virus software program for free.

- * For a computer with Windows 8 or a later version, use Defender bundled with the OS as a standard feature.

● Windows OS, Microsoft Office (for Windows/ Mac)

Students can install Microsoft Office (including Word, Excel, PowerPoint, etc.).

For details, please visit the official website of Hiroshima University, and click the link on the right side of the page: Information for Students > Student Information Website MOMIJI > Support for Student Life > Computer Q&A

<https://momiji.hiroshima-u.ac.jp/momiji-top/life/jyoho/>



Details about the requisite laptop computer are also available on the following website:

https://www.hiroshima-u.ac.jp/about/initiatives/jyoho_ka/hikkei_pc/

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