

## UC Davis Computer Ownership Fact Sheet

Every UC Davis student is expected to own a computer that meets certain minimum performance and security standards. A student should have ready access to these technologies, and faculty should be able to depend on students having the computing hardware, software and connectivity required for using class materials and other instructional resources.

Rather than require a specific system, the campus expectation is expressed in terms of a minimum set of functional requirements that computers must meet to be used effectively in the student's education at UC Davis. When purchasing a computer, students should seriously consider purchasing a laptop. Laptops have the considerable advantage and convenience of being mobile and easy to bring to classes, the library, wireless study lounges, cafés, and other wireless areas both on and off campus. Some laptops can be purchased from the UC Davis Bookstore at prices comparable to or only marginally higher than those of desktop computers. Students who are eligible for need-based financial aid will be able to seek additional financial resources to pay for these systems through the Financial Aid Office.

### **Additional Resources**

#### Recommended Minimum Computer Configurations:

- You can find more information about computer ownership, the benefits of owning a computer, and where to purchase a computer by visiting the Student Computer Ownership Web site at:

<http://computerownership.ucdavis.edu>.

#### Financial Aid Questions:

- UC Davis Financial Aid Office:

[http://faoman.ucdavis.edu/Computer Purchase Policy.html](http://faoman.ucdavis.edu/Computer_Purchase_Policy.html)

#### Technical Support Questions:

- Computer ownership and technical questions can be directed to IT Express, the campus' computer help desk.

Phone: (530) 754-HELP

Web: <http://itexpress.ucdavis.edu/>

Email: [ithelp@ucdavis.edu](mailto:ithelp@ucdavis.edu)

#### Cyber-Safety Basics: Security for Everyone:

- <http://security/cybersafetybasics.cfm>

#### Acceptable Use Policy:

- <http://manuals.ucdavis.edu/ppm/310/310-23a.pdf>