What Students Need to Know About Bringing a Computer to Campus

New Computers on Campus

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Did you bring a new computer?

Although Millersville has no university-wide requirement to own one, most students do and find it a tremendous help. If you decide to bring a computer from home or if you are in the market to buy one, view our Purchasing a New Computer - Students page to help ensure that you have the right stuff.

Run Windows updates?

One of the first things that you will be asked to do when you connect your computer to our network is to run windows updates. It is important to keep your computer up to date with the latest patches and updates. Updating your computer before you come to school will reduce the amount of time that it takes to get connected in the dorms. For more detailed instructions on how to update your Windows Computer click HERE

Do you have your power cord?

Since you will be packing a lot of things to come to campus, small things like power cords tend to be forgotten.

Do you have a surge protector?

Not only are they great for protecting your electronics from random surges, they also help to increase the number of outlets in your dorm room.

Do you have a carrying case?

There are many different choices available for purchase. Backpacks with integrated laptop storage are always a popular choice.

Do you have a Network Cord?

If you live in a dorm you are going to need a network cord to connect to the internet. We recommend a cord of about 25 to 50 feet in length. The network jacks in your room will be together on one side of your room and you may want your computer on the other side. If you do not know what a network cord is click HERE for more information.
Help Desk

Help Desk Contact Info

Location: Boyer Building

Phone: 717-871-7777

Email: help@millersville.edu

Classroom Hotline: 717-871-7820

Hours:

- **Call Center**
  - Fall/Spring Semesters:
    - M-Th 8:00am - 7:00pm EST
    - F 8:00am - 5:00pm EST
  - Summer Sessions:
    - M-F 8:00am - 4:00pm EST

- **Walk-in TAC**
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      - M-Th 8:00 am - 7:00pm, F 8:00am - 5:00pm EST
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      - M-F 8:00am - 4:00pm EST