Technology Requirements for All SLIS Students

Whether completing courses in person or online, all SLIS students require access to reliable technological tools to succeed in the MS(LIS) degree program.

The following represents the minimum technological specifications for all SLIS students in the MS(LIS) degree program:

Computer and Connection Requirements:

- Reliable access to a laptop or desktop computer
 - Laptop or desktop computer must feature a current operating system:
 - Mac users require the latest version of OSX
 - PC users require the latest version of Windows
 - Please note: Chromebooks are not permitted
- Reliable access to a web camera (internal or external to your computer)
- Reliable access to communication technology (e.g., speakers, microphone, and headset), or other augmentative and alternative communication devices
- Reliable access to a high-speed network internet connection (e.g., cable, DSL)

Software Requirements:

The following software should be stored on and available from your laptop or desktop computer:

- At least two of the following Internet browsers:
 - Google Chrome
 - Mozilla Firefox
 - Safari (Mac users only)
- PDF reader (e.g., Adobe Reader or Mac Preview)
- Word processing software (e.g., Microsoft Word, Apple Pages, Google Docs)
- Spreadsheet software (e.g., Microsoft Excel, Apple Numbers, Google Sheets)
- Presentation software (e.g., Microsoft PowerPoint, Apple Keynote, Google Slides)

Note: Individual courses may have specific requirements beyond those stated above. Please see individual course descriptions for more information.