

Student Technology Requirements

Neither the UA Graduate School nor the UA HDFS Graduate Programs have specific technology requirements for students in the program. However, we recommend that students have easy access to:

- A modern computer with internet access
- Word processing software
- Presentation software
- E-mail software
- Calendar software
- Web browsing software

UA OIT offers guidance for students considering the purchase of computer hardware at <https://www.depts.ttu.edu/ithelpcentral/recommend/>.

The University of Alabama has site license software agreements with a large number of vendors, many of which provide free software to students. We strongly encourage students to take advantage of the site license for Microsoft Office 365 and UA Box. The software is free to students, provides the recommended software, and 1TB of cloud storage. A list of site licensed software and instructions for downloading the software is available at <https://oit.ua.edu/software/>

Students have access to Computer Labs computing labs. Information can be found at <https://oit.ua.edu/service/computer-labs/>. Students in the MFT Program also have access to the computers in the CFTC clinic office (Child Development Research Center Room 253). The UA MFT Graduate Program do not require specific software or hardware training. However, basic familiarity with word processing, presentation, web browsing, and e-mail software is strongly recommended and will be necessary for successful completion of your degree. Individual courses will require writing papers and developing class presentations. Also, the vast majority of official University and UA MFT Program communication will take place using e-mail. All UA MFT students are provided with an individual school e-mail account. Office of Information Technology Support offers a wide variety of technology services at no cost (see <https://oit.ua.edu/services/>

Students will receive training in the use of the electronic client file management system used by the UA Capstone Family Therapy Clinic during new student orientation and/or during clinical practicum. Training in the use of research/statistical software will take place as part of your required courses.