Information for Parents from IT Services

Frequently Asked Questions

Does my child need a computer for college? No academic courses at Armstrong require students to own a personal computer. While it is nice to have a personal computer, it is not a necessity. There are computers located in the Lane Library and campus computer labs (locations listed below) for students to use.

Are there any special computer requirements? There are no specific requirements; you could purchase a laptop or desktop system with either an Apple or Microsoft operating system. All new computer systems will be adequate to do most of the student's research, homework, and papers.

What software programs does my child need for college? Armstrong campus standard is the Microsoft Office Suite that includes Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and Access.

We also remind students to make sure they have an Anti-virus/Anti-malware software product installed on their computers. They need to keep the updates and patches to the Operating System and Anti-virus/Anti-malware software current.

Is Wireless available on Campus? Wireless access is available in all buildings on the Armstrong campus including residence halls, libraries, classrooms, offices, and green spaces.

Affordable Software Offerings for Students

Do students have access to discounted software? Software Resources & Services (SRS), a division of the University System of Georgia, provides affordable software offerings to University students for personal use. These offerings include products from Microsoft, Adobe, Autodesk, SAS, and several other software vendors.

Visit the SRS website at http://www.srs.usg.edu and click on the Personal Store option to view these offerings. Please note, SRS requires the use of your Armstrong email address for registration and ordering.

Computer & Printing Access

Where can my student access a computer on campus?
General Access Computers are located in Solms Hall 104, University Hall 112, Science Center 129, Lane Library, and the Learning Commons. Students are required to use their Port of Armstrong ID and Active Directory password to access the computers on campus.

Where are printers available on campus?
Printing Services are available for students in the computer labs, Lane Library, the Learning Commons, and the Armstrong Center. Each semester, all students have a student print account that will allow them to print 110 pages at no charge. For additional printing needs, students can add Pirate Cash to their Pirate Card.