

Quick Reference: Hardware & Software Requirements

Minimum hardware and software requirements for all MSSA Program participants.

Minimum Hardware Requirements

PC Desktop, Laptop, or Mini PC		Owner
Processor:	Newer generation, Intel Core i5 or comparable AMD processor or higher.	MSSA Participant
Memory:	Minimum 16 GB (32 GB highly recommended)	
Storage:	256 GB SSD (512 GB highly recommended)	
Network Adapter:	Able to connect to the internet via Wired (Ethernet) or Wi-Fi	
NOTE: MacBooks do not meet the MSSA Program HW/SW requirements and are not supported.		
Peripherals		
Camera:	Built-in or separate (standalone) camera	MSSA Participant
Keyboard:	Full Size keyboard	
Mouse:	User preference on type	
Monitors:	Two HD monitor >24" (highly recommended)	
Headphones:	Headphones with built in microphone (recommended)	
Connectivity- Internet Access with Ethernet or Wi-Fi Connection		
Download/Upload:	> 25 Mbps / > 10 Mbps	MSSA Participant
Latency:	< 100 Ms	
If you can stream HD videos, play video games online, and video call you should be okay. Use Speed Test to check your current speed.		

Software Requirements

Software Specifications		Owner
Operating System:	Microsoft Windows 11 Pro (*the cost to upgrade is \$99.99USD and is paid during the upgrade process.) Upgrade Windows Home to Windows Pro	MSSA Participant
Productivity:	Microsoft 365 Licenses: Business Standard or A3 or E3, or higher.	MSSA Learning Partner
	Microsoft Teams Licenses: A3 or A5 or comparable Teams license	
During the first week of the program you may need to install necessary software on your computer as a class, guided by your instructor, to ensure all participants have the same environment.		

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