

Cardozo Laptop Requirements

All current MacBooks and Windows laptops for sale have been tested and verified for Exemplify.
New machines and operating systems may be released in mid-October, but those systems **will not** immediately be compatible for exams in Fall 2025.

Mac

- versions Sonoma or Sequoia
 - older OS versions are **not compatible** for exams
 - MacOS Tahoe (version 26) has not yet been verified to work with our exam software. Do not update to these system and disable automatic updates until notified by Student Services.
- Hard Drive: 256 GB SSD (500 or more recommended)
- CPU
 - any Apple Silicon (M-series) **preferred**, later Intel CPU's (2018-20) are still supported
 - If you are unsure of the CPU you have [click here](#).
 - Note: M5 chips are likely to be released in October or soon after but won't immediately be compatible with the exam software.
- RAM: 8 GB minimum; 16GB or more recommended

Additional Exemplify Notes:

- Only genuine versions of Mac operating systems are supported.
- For technical troubleshooting, account passwords including device passwords may be required.
- Disable automatic updates
- Exemplify is not compatible within virtualized environments or environments that require persistent network (local or otherwise) connections during secure exams. This includes, but is not limited to, VMWare, Parallels, Citrix workspace, virtual disks, streamed images, etc.
- Internet connection is required for download, registration, exam download and upload.
- [Administrator-level](#) account permissions required.
- Screen resolution should be at least 1280 x 768. Scaling should be set to 100%.

[For instructions on how to check your computer's specifications, click here.](#)

[For instructions on how to update your device to be within these guidelines, click here.](#)

Windows:

- Operating System: 64-bit versions of Windows 11.
 - The versions of Windows certified for use are **Windows 11 23H2 and 24H2**.
 - **Windows 11 (version 25H2) has not yet been verified to work with our exam software. Do not update to this version and disable automatic updates until notified by Student Services.**
 - Only genuine versions of Windows Operating Systems are supported. Alternate versions of Windows 10 and Windows 11, such as Windows RT and Windows 10 and 11 S, are NOT supported at this time.
 - *If you are using a Microsoft Surface device, [please read this article](#) for important instructions on Windows 10 and 11 "S mode" versus the standard Windows 10 or 11. S mode is not compatible with Exemplify.*
- Hard drive: 256 GB SSD (500 or more recommended)
- CPU: Only Intel-based (including AMD) processors.
 - **ARM-based CPUs such as the Qualcomm Snapdragon are not supported for exams.**
- RAM: 8 GB minimum; 16GB or more recommended

Additional Exemplify Notes:

- **Exemplify DOES NOT support ARM processors or Virtual Machines**
- The English (United States) Language Pack must be installed.
- For technical troubleshooting, account passwords including BitLocker keys, may be required.
- Disable automatic updates
- Internet connection for download, registration, exam download, upload, and some exam features.
- Using Exemplify in a virtual environment is a violation of the End-User License Agreement (EULA). As such, Exemplify cannot be run within virtualized environments or environments that require persistent network connections (local or otherwise) during secure exams. This includes, but is not limited to, VMWare, Parallels, Citrix workspace, virtual disks, streamed images, etc.
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