The Information Systems [IS] Department requires minimum hardware, software, and Internet connectivity configurations for all System Management majors. This policy also applies to any student who registers for the eight core SM courses. Most core SM courses require software to be downloaded and installed on computers; students with limited access to WKU labs often struggle to achieve when they are dependent totally on these labs and the associated installed software. The IS Department also requires a high-speed Internet connection. Students are responsible for agreeing to these requirements when they select SM as their major, additionally any student who registers for the eight core SM courses will also be responsible to comply with this policy.

The minimum hardware requirements are:

- A Windows machine or a Mac with a Windows partition (dual boot, E.g. Bootcamp)
- At least an i5 CPU
- 8 GB of RAM
- At least a 256G hard drive
- Headphones w/microphone and camera

The software requirements are:

- At least Windows 7 Operating System
- Office 365

You will be required to be connected to a high speed Internet connection (2-3 Mbps down and 256Kbps up). Examples include, but are not limited to:

- Satellite
- Wireless
- DSL
- Cable

Please note that students are responsible for maintaining these minimum requirements as well as the maintenance of their own personal computers. The IS department is not responsible, nor does it provide technical support for student-owned computers.