

2023 Computer Purchase Requirements for All Architecture, Interior Architecture, and Landscape Architecture Students

These requirements apply to all Architecture, Interior Architecture, and Landscape Architecture students entering the college in the summer / fall of 2023.

About Your Technology Package

The College of Architecture and Design specifies the following technology package for all Architecture, Interior Architecture, and Landscape Architecture students. Reliability, support, and productivity in relation to professional CAD and graphics applications have been key criteria in developing these specifications.

Where to Purchase Your Technology Package

All systems must be purchased through the University of Tennessee Bookstore Technology Center (VolTech).

When to Purchase Your Technology Package

To ensure timely delivery, all systems should be purchased through the Bookstore Technology Center (VolTech) by July 26, 2023.

How to Purchase Your Technology Package

Forms of payment – Cash, MC, VISA, Discover, American Express, and VolCard, either in store or online

To Pre-order online, choose one of the computers listed on the VolTech website:

<https://www.utvolshop.com/college-of-architecture-and-design>

There are three Dell and three Lenovo mobile workstations to choose from. These online packages include all required hardware plus the Rhino software application. V-Ray and the free software downloads must be acquired separately by the end user. See "Notes Regarding Software" below for more information on required software.

Contact VolTech for any desired hardware upgrade options. See "For More Information Regarding the Purchase of Your Technology Package" on page 2 for contact info.

Go to checkout to pay for your purchase. **Be sure to enter the name of the student in the ORDER NOTES field at checkout.**

You can also stop by VolTech in the Student Union to place your order any weekday between 8:30-5:00..

When and Where to Take Delivery of Your Technology Package

Students can typically pick up their systems in the store within four weeks of placing their order. You will be contacted by VolTech once your order arrives.

Technology Package Purchasing Exceptions

In certain exceptional circumstances, and ONLY with the explicit permission of the director of your program of study, students may be allowed to purchase hardware from sources other than VolTech. If this is the case, you will still be required to purchase the required Rhino 7 software application from VolTech.

Notes Regarding Software

Microsoft Office Pro Plus is available through the Office of Information Technology (OIT) as a free student download: <https://oit.utk.edu/software-hardware/proplus/>

Adobe Creative Cloud subscription is available through the Office of Information Technology (OIT) as a free student download: [Adobe CC for CoAD Students](#)

AutoCAD, Revit, and 3D Studio Max are available as a free student downloads: <https://www.autodesk.com/education/students>

Revit is required for Architecture and Interior Architecture students only. 3D Studio Max is optional.

ArcGIS is available as a free UTK student download: <https://oit.utk.edu/software-hardware/software/>

ArcGIS is required for Architecture and Landscape Architecture students only.

Rhino: Rhino 7 licenses are available for in-store pick up at VolTech.

V-Ray plugin for Rhino subscription: Students purchase and download V-Ray for Rhino directly from Chaos Group's website: <https://www.chaosgroup.com/education/students>

V-Ray for Rhino is required for all entering Landscape Architecture Students. Architecture and Interior Architecture students will be advised on purchasing V-Ray at a later date.

For More Information Regarding the Purchase of Your Technology Package

For inquiries regarding VolTech purchasing procedures and hardware upgrades:

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For inquiries regarding the technical specifications included in the technology package:

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