IT requirements for CIM students

CIM students will need access to a personal computing device during many of their taught module classes. University's recommended IT specification for your device is Intel® Core™ i5-7nnn (7th generation) or higher. Full details of the University's recommendations and guidance for students are here.

For those without a laptop that meets the specifications outlined above, it will be possible to arrange a loan through CIM or IT Services – further details will be made available to students in this situation during Welcome Week. CIM students who demonstrate the need for a CIM laptop will be required to sign a form confirming that they will return the laptop at the end of the loan period. Please note that information security requirements must be met when using Warwick-owned machines - for more information, see here.

Additions to our Skills Training Programme
Our newly expanded skills programme for all Masters' students now includes training in computational thinking and working with data for both those new to R and Python and those with more advanced skills, including optional sessions on reproducibility and version control, as well as text analysis using Python.

Anti-Virus and Cybersecurity
You are expected to keep your system free from viruses and other malware. If you have a Windows machine you will have Windows Defender anti-virus software built in. You should enable that as soon as you start using your device.

If you have a Mac machine you will have XProtect but may wish to install additional anti-virus software. IT Services recommends AVG and Avast, available for free for either Windows and Mac.

Wi-Fi and Mobile Data:

There is unlimited FREE Wi-Fi for students on campus including in teaching rooms and social spaces.

There is **unlimited Wi-Fi throughout all campus residences**. However, for optimum broadband, students in campus residence study bedrooms should use a wired connection. On-campus study bedrooms have an ethernet socket for optimised broadband connection so bring a USB-to-ethernet adaptor if you don't have an ethernet port on your device.

If you are living off-campus, ensure you have a broadband contract or 4G data plan.