

2009 UConn Health Center PDA Recommendation

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Dear Class of 2011,

It's now time to add a handheld to your array of patient care clinical tools. You will need them during PBL and SCP this next semester for Clinical Reasoning and for your clinical experiences next year. You will also use them to log your patient experiences. We have evaluated various software and hardware options, and have selected the HP iPAQ 111 Classic Handheld as the recommended model because it's compatible with the software programs you'll need. Details about this model and the software you will need are below. As always CEC staff is readily available to answer questions regarding purchasing handhelds and assisting with installing programs. Further information on the 2009 recommendation can be found at: <http://library.uhc.edu/departm/cec/pda/pdaPur.html>

Recommended PDA

HP iPAQ 111 Classic Handheld

Price: \$299*	Operating System: Windows Mobile 6
Processor: 624 MHz	Memory: 256 MB ROM, 64 MB RAM
Included: USB Sync Cradle, AC Power Adapter	Included: Mobile Excel, Outlook, PowerPoint, Word

Purchasing a PDA

PDAs are available for purchase through the UConn Co-op. For more information on purchasing, visit: <http://library.uhc.edu/departm/cec/pda/pdaPur.html>

Memory

In addition to your PDA it is highly recommended that you purchase at least a 256 MB SD card. SD cards give you additional storage space for documents and programs. SD cards are inexpensive and available through the UConn Co-op, many retail stores, and online retailers.

Operating System

A Pocket PC device running Windows Mobile is required to install all of the recommended PDA software applications. The recommended PDA has the correct operating system installed on it.

Software Recommendations

PDA medical software recommendations can be found on the library website at:

<http://library.uhc.edu/departm/cec/pda/pdaRec.html>

More PDA Information (including information on Smartphones) can be found at:

<http://library.uhc.edu/departm/cec/pda/pdaGen.html>

Financial Aid

The cost of the PDA is already included as part of your financial aid budget. The money earmarked for the purchase of the PDA is restricted to the required PDA models. If you need clarification, please contact Andrea Devereux, Director of Financial Aid, at devereux@uchc.edu.

Wireless

New PDAs do not connect with the secure wireless network at UCHC because of software changes made in Windows Mobile. However, you will be able to access the Internet using the JDH public wireless network throughout many areas here at UCHC. You will also be able to use public wireless networks at airports or coffee shops and bookstores to reach the Internet.

Assistance

CEC staff is available to answer general, purchasing, and installation PDA questions as well as offering assistance with PDA software installations. You may call (860) 679-8870 or email CEC Staff for assistance.

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PDA Software Memory Requirements

Software	Space Requirement	Software	Space Requirement
Archimedes	3.7 MB	Lexi-Select	55 MB
Diagnosaurus	1.1 MB	First Consult	13.3 MB
DynaMed	25 MB	Shots	3.8 MB
Essential Evidence Plus	64 MB	Student Experience Log	