

Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) Guidance

The Joint and Combined Warfighting School (JCWS) curriculum is accessible online and our students are required to have a personal computing devices for use in the classroom and while working outside of school. A personal computing device may be a personal computer, a laptop, or a tablet with a functioning web browser and the ability to run web-based applications. Some students have used iPads successfully however, a smart phone has proven too difficult to use in the dynamic classroom environment. Additionally, students **should NOT bring Government Furnished Equipment (GFE)** for use during the class. GFE usually has very restrictive policies that are not compatible with our wireless network and the academic printing solutions we have deployed within National Defense University.

Device must support preparation of essays, creation of Power Point slides and working in the collaborative online environment. Students will be producing reports during class and for homework assignments and are eligible to obtain a student copy of the Microsoft Office Software Suite through the Microsoft Office Home Use Program.

International students will be provided a laptop, if necessary, by JCWS for use during our Joint Transition and JPME II courses. If you're living outside the U.S. and choose to purchase a device for use during JCWS, we highly recommended that you delay purchase until after you arrive for training. Devices bought in foreign countries may not work on the NDU wireless network.

JCWS will not provide personal computing devices for U.S. students however, there are a limited number of workstations with internet access and print capability located in our Library. Students are provided a Microsoft Outlook profile for emailing and managing personal information and students have 24-hour, 7-day access to Normandy Hall, our main schoolhouse building on campus