

Important Antivirus Information

To protect yourself from viruses, Trojans, worms and other malicious programs that can infect your computer, Tech Services recommends installing antivirus and anti-malware software. Depending on your operating system (Windows or Mac OS), there are several antivirus and malware programs available either free or that can be purchased.

Tech Services uses Microsoft's System Center Endpoint Protection (SCEP) for all campus computers.

Recommended FREE antivirus/spyware/malware software for home use:

Operating System	Recommended software	Where to get it
Windows 7 or earlier	Microsoft Security Essentials	http://windows.microsoft.com/en-us/windows/security-essentials-download
Windows 8 or later	Windows Defender (or visit the Windows Store to search for other free tools)	Comes pre-installed with Windows 8.1. Run Windows Update to upgrade to v 8.1 if you have Windows 8.0
Macintosh	Avast, ClamXav, or Sophos Antivirus for Mac	Reviews of these tools and links to download them can be found at http://download.cnet.com/mac/antivirus-software/
Windows Vista/7/8/8.1/XP (32-bit, Service Pack 2 or later). Mac version available.	Malwarebytes	https://www.malwarebytes.org/antimalware/ Free for home use. Paid Premium version is also available.

Another option for free antivirus software is to contact your Internet Service Provider (ISP). Both Time Warner Cable and AT&T currently provide free antivirus software.

Microsoft provides tips for protecting your personal computer from malicious software. Please see <http://windows.microsoft.com/en-us/windows-8/how-protect-pc-from-viruses> for details.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Service Desk via email at helpdesk@alverno.edu or by calling 414-382-6700.

Thank you,

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