

# Apple Computers



NOTICE! Before requesting a Apple computer purchase, please consider carefully whether any of the below mentioned limitations might prevent work on a computer installed with Apple OS X operating system.

**By default Windows computers are recommended for staff.**

## One work computer, one operating system

At Metropolia, we abide by the rule "one work computer, one operating system per person" when making purchases. In other words, an Apple computer should not be purchased in addition to a Windows computer and vice versa.

Also, local virtual machine implementations where Windows is installed inside the OS X operating system or as native operating system in a separate disk partition (Bootcamp) is not supported as a rule, following the mentioned guide line.

All additional virtual environments are an extra burden on the maintenance force and may lower the quality of support services.

General VMware virtual machines are meant to compensate for the insufficiencies e.g. of the OS X system.

**All compensating applications needed for the OS X operating systems will be billed to the study program.**

## Limitations in wireless networks

At the moment, because of technical reasons it is not possible to authenticate the OS X operating system in Metropolia staff's metropolia-staff wireless network. A fix may be coming.

Staff members can use the metropolia-student wireless network with their usernames in OS X.

Notice, however, that there is now access from metropolia-student to network drives.

## Apple OS X limitations

There are limitations in the availability of software and services to the Apple OS X operating system.

Windows service	Mac implementation
MS Office	MS Office 2019, native
MS Project	VMware virtual machine
MS Publisher	VMware virtual machine
MS Visio	OmniGrafflePro, native, for extra fee
WinhaPro	VMware virtual machine
AutoCAD	AutoCAD for Mac, native, for extra fee

## Warranty

Apple computers have a three year warranty, if the device was acquired through the purchase team.

The user must take a computer needing service covered by warranty to an authorized dealer.

The computer can usually be picked up one to three days later. (Cf. Windows workstations which have a four year warranty and service onsite covered by warranty.)

## Apple computer prices

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