Computer Resources

MSU places high priority on the use of information technology to enhance the educational experience, providing a wide variety of technology resources available to students and faculty.

Software & IT Services
Visit Student IT Services (http://www.montana.edu/itservices/student_services.html) to learn about the software and services available to MSU students and how to access them.

University Information Technology (UIT) and the IT Community is dedicated to providing the MSU campus with the technology and services that support and promote student success. UIT builds and maintains the technological infrastructure at MSU which includes the campus network, computing devices and virtual desktops in campus labs, MSU email and the campus telephone system, classroom technology, and the online learning platform, Brightspace.

Technical Help

University Information Technology (UIT) Service Desk
The UIT Service Desk, housed in the MSU Library Commons, provides IT support to campus by assisting with ID and password questions, account setup, IT security concerns, software installations, Wi-Fi and more. Contact the Service Desk at 994-1777, helpdesk@montana.edu or visit them in the Library.

ResNet: Internet and Technical Assistance for Students Living on Campus
ResNet (http://www.montana.edu/resnet/) connects more than 2700 residence hall rooms and family and graduate-student housing units with internet access. The ResNet Help Desk (http://www.montana.edu/resnet/help_desk.html), located in South Hedges provides technical assistance to students living on campus that includes virus removal, software installs, and computer and mobile device support.

Computer Labs on Campus
Students have access to over 600 computers in collaborative workspaces and labs in residence halls, academic halls, and the Renne Library. Lab computers offer specialized and industry-standard software packages for technology-specific assignments, including Microsoft Office, Adobe products, AutoCAD, SAS, SPSS, and MCAD. Visit http://studentlabs.montana.edu/ for more information.

Email
Students receive an MSU email account (http://www.montana.edu/email/) while enrolled at Montana State. Students are required to check email at least twice a week in order to receive and not risk missing official University communications (like financial aid, registration and advisor info, etc.) and other MSU-related announcements. See the Student Electronic Communication Policy (http://www.montana.edu/policy/student_electronic_communications/) for details.