

# What is Ziggabyte?

**Ziggabyte** is a full service technology store owned and operated by BGSU and is located in the Bowen-Thompson Student Union adjacent to Falcon Outfitters. The store is focused on helping students select affordable, user-friendly technology that will position them for success in their chosen field of study.

As an education reseller, Ziggabyte is able to offer unparalleled pricing on select products for BGSU students, as well as a comprehensive range of merchandise and services. In addition to being an Apple Authorized Campus Store and Dell University reseller, Ziggabyte supports many of the software programs needed to be successful in a student's college career at a significant academic discount, with many programs being free.

## Ziggabyte Service Center

Located within Ziggabyte, the Ziggabyte Service Center is a full service technology repair center. All makes and models of computers, as well as iPhones, can be supported and serviced at the ZSC.

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## Rental Computers

Ziggabyte offers computer rentals by the day, week, month or semester.

# Specific Recommendations for Your Major

## Recommendations for all Students

- Computer capable of connecting to the internet and running the Microsoft Office Suite (Word, Excel, PowerPoint, etc.)
- External Hard Drive to back up important files
- Large capacity flash drive for moving work between computers

## Recommended Minimum Hardware Specs

- Processor - Intel Core i5 or AMD equivalent
- Storage - 256GB or higher
- Memory - 8GB
- Warranty - 3 or 4 years

## Software Savings

Most Software is available for students at free or reduced prices, including:

MS Office	Adobe Creative Cloud
AutoCAD	SolidWorks
SPSS	EndNote
Sibelius	Media Composer

...Plus many more. Please check with a Ziggabyte associate for your specific needs.

## The Following Majors Have Specific Software or Computer Accessory Recommendations

### Digital Arts

- Adobe Creative Cloud
- Digital Drawing Tablet
- DSLR camera

### Graphic Design

- Adobe Creative Cloud
- Typeface library beyond built in sets

### College of Business Administration

- Windows 8 or higher

### College of Musical Arts

- Sibelius or Finale

### Architectural & Environmental Design

- Windows 7 or higher
- AutoDesk Suite (AutoCAD, Revit, etc.)

### Construction Management

- Windows 7 or higher

### Department of Engineering Technology

- Windows 7 or higher
- Consulting with DET faculty prior to purchasing a computer is highly recommended

### Visual Communication Technology (VCT)

- Adobe Creative Cloud

## Information Technology Services

**Technology Support Center** (TSC) is the central point of contact for questions and support regarding technology on campus. The TSC is available for walk in assistance at 110 Hayes Hall and may be reached by phone at **419.372.0999** or by live chat at [www.bgsu.edu/its](http://www.bgsu.edu/its).

### Highlighted Services for Students

1. Free hardware repairs that are covered by Apple
2. Apple or Dell warranties
3. BGSU Account support
4. Printing services across campus
5. Free 1 TB of cloud storage via OneDrive
6. General use computer labs in the Library, Union, and Technology buildings
7. Free virus/malware diagnostics for any Mac or Windows computer

For self-help guides and additional information about student services offered by Information Technology Services (ITS), please visit [www.bgsu.edu/studentconnect](http://www.bgsu.edu/studentconnect)

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## Did You Know?

Purchasing your own inkjet printer will end up costing you twice as much compared to using printers in computer labs.

It may be better to wait to buy a computer until after your first year, until you are sure of your course of study.

## Safeware

Safeware is an Extended Service Protection Plan, allowing computers and tablets to be protected for up to 4 years against accidental damage, liquid spills, manufacturing defects, and power surges. Benefits include no additional out-of-pocket expenses, a hassle-free claim process, and no surprise deductibles. Most repairs are performed on campus, with an average turn-around time of less than 3 days, getting students' computers back in their hands fast.

## Collab Lab

The Collab Lab offers peer-to-peer instruction on a variety of software applications for undergraduate, graduate, and distance students. Visit <http://www.bgsu.edu/stac/> for more information about Collab Lab and the services available for BGSU students.

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