

Williams students receiving financial aid are eligible for computer purchase assistance (loan and/or excess scholarship) up to a maximum amount of \$2,500 **once*** during their Williams career.

**Exceptions for the loan can be granted for computers that are stolen or are unrepairable.*

PLEASE READ BEFORE ORDERING

All students requesting a computer purchase with loan or scholarship funds accept the following terms:

- \$2,500 is the maximum allowed for a computer purchase.
- Request for assistance does not guarantee approval – your individual eligibility will be determined based on your request.
- If you are purchasing through our third party partner, Mad Macs, please note that their inventory is subject to supply and demand. There may be delays in receiving your computer based on their inventory. Please reach out to Mad Macs with questions about availability.
- You are responsible for paying the difference between the computer cost and your eligible loan and/or excess scholarship amount.
- Purchase of non-computer items or accessories will not be included in the approved amount (i.e. headphones, external hard drive, bag/carrier, etc).
- The cost of the recommended three year Service Plan / warranty can be included in the approved amount.
- The computer loan or excess scholarship will be disbursed to your student account after the start of classes. If your account is not paid in full, the computer funds may not be available to you.
- If you purchase your computer through Williams, the cost of the computer will be charged to your student account.
- If you are seeking reimbursement for the computer purchase, you must request the refund through your Williams Student Records account. Click [here](#) for information about the refund process.
- Allow up to 2 weeks for processing your computer request.

Computer Loan Information:

- Depending on your financial situation and the amount of student loan currently in your financial aid package, you may not be eligible for a computer loan for this academic year or for the entire amount you are requesting.
 - o For example, if you have maximized your federal student loan to replace your family contribution, you may not have remaining eligibility to purchase a computer.
- For U.S. citizens and permanent residents, the loan will be a Federal Direct Loan, subsidized or unsubsidized depending on your federal need-based eligibility.
- Your student account must be paid in full in order for the funds to be available to you.

Excess Scholarship Information:

- If you have received outside scholarships (excluding employer tuition benefits) that exceed the standard financial aid summer earnings, campus job and loan offer, you may request a one-time exception of the outside scholarship treatment for the purchase of a computer.
- The grant amount that will go toward the computer is the difference between the total scholarships received and your standard summer, job and loan amount.
 - o For example, if your summer earnings, standard job and loan total \$3,100 and you have received a National Merit Scholarship for \$4,000, you can request that \$900 in grant be used toward the purchase of a computer.
- Scholarship checks must be received before computer funds will be made available to you.

What should I do to get a computer loan or use excess scholarship?

- o Read information above to understand your eligibility.
- o Complete the [Google Form](#) indicating your desired method of payment
- o Complete online order form: <http://www.madmacs.com/wfa>
- o Review your Student Account Center to see if you have a balance due on your account. If so, make arrangements to pay it in full.
- o Review your current academic year loan amount/s on your financial aid award in your [Williams Student Records](#) account to understand how much you are already borrowing.