

Microsoft DreamSpark Software

Microsoft software licenses are available **free** to students currently enrolled in any course taught by the Computer Science Department at Harding University by using the Microsoft DreamSpark Premium program.

What software is available?

Many Microsoft development Tools, languages and operating systems are available. However, Microsoft Office is NOT available under this agreement.

Where can I install the software?

You may install the software on any computer that you are using for classwork. You may **not** distribute the software to your friends or family.

How do I download the software?

After the first week of class you can access the DreamSpark website: <https://e5.onthehub.com> and click on "Discounts by School" to find Harding University and the store: "Computer Science - DreamSpark Premium"

Click the "Sign In" link and use your Harding username and password to sign in. If you are unable to login, contact Dr. Steve Baber (baber@harding.edu or 501-279-4266).

1. You can search for the software you would like using "Product Search". After you select the software you would like, click the "Add To Cart" button.
2. After you have added all the software you would like, click the "Check Out" button.
3. Read through the DreamSpark EULA and click "I Accept".
4. Click the "Proceed With Order" button. You will receive a confirmation email.
5. Press the "Start Download" button to begin downloading the software.
6. You may be prompted to download the entire software or the Web Installer. Either one is fine. The Web Installer will initially download and start much quicker, but it will still take some time for it to download the software that it is installing.
7. Install the software.

Using CD / DVD Images

For some of the products, you will download a file using the Secure Download Manager (SDM). Upon clicking the Start Download button on your order receipt page, you will be presented with a clear and intuitive instruction page for downloading and installing the SDM on your computer as well as your software. The SDM provides for secure, effective and efficient file downloads including the ability to download multiple files simultaneously and downloading files that are too large for some browsers to handle. For more information, the instruction page includes a variety of frequently asked questions.

The software will usually download as an .ISO file that may then be used to burn a CD or DVD. The CD/DVD that is created will be the same as one that could be purchased directly from Microsoft; thus, it could then be used for the installation process. If you prefer, you can use the computers in the Science 201 lab to burn an .ISO file to a CD or DVD.

Product Keys

Many of the products available from Microsoft via the DreamSpark program require an installation product key or serial number (Visual Studio is a notable exception to this rule). You should notice the necessary key when you download the software product; however, if you have trouble obtaining a key, contact Dr. Steve Baber (baber@harding.edu or 501-279-4266). It is strongly recommended that you save a copy of the key for future reference.