

Parallels Desktop for Academic Institutions

Compare how Parallels Desktop for Mac Pro and Business Edition enable users to run Windows on Mac efficiently in academic settings. Choose the right solution to help streamline operations and facilitate cross-platform collaboration within your academic environment.



Features	Parallels® Desktop for Mac Pro Edition	Parallels® Desktop for Mac Business Edition
Updates for macOS, Windows, Linux, and new Mac models	✓	~
Virtual RAM for each VM	128 GB vRAM	128 GB vRAM
Virtual CPUs for each VM**	✓	✓
Use Mac features seamlessly on Windows: keyboard, trackpad, camera, mic, graphics, Touch ID, and more	✓	✓
Run thousands of Windows applications such as Microsoft Office 365, Power BI, Revit, SPSS, Mathematica, Anaconda, and more	✓	✓
Run graphics-intensive Windows applications and multiple virtual machines	✓	✓
Develop, automate, test, and debug software in multiple operating systems simultaneously	✓	✓
Premium 24/7 phone and email support	✓	✓
Integrations with VS Code, Vagrant, Packer, Docker, Minikube, and more	✓	~
Advanced tools for virtual networking, debugging, and automation	✓	✓
Automate CI/CD workflows with Command Line Interface (pricti, prisrvcti)	✓	✓
Enable Windows on Mac for your academic institution, running essential apps, and freeing faculty and students from managing multiple computers		✓
Secure and key-free with SSO/SAML integration option		✓
Enable faculty and students to download a preconfigured Windows installation to their Mac		✓
Per-user licensing option for academic institutions that are ready to use SSO/SAML/SCIM integration		✓
Centralized administration, management, and unified volume licensing for mass deployment		~

^{*}Windows 11 Pro and Enterprise

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^{**}Up to 22 CPU on a Mac with Apple silicon (M2 Ultra)