The Northern Illinois University Libraries (Libraries) makes available laptops to the Northern Illinois University (NIU) faculty, staff, and students.

1. The Libraries has laptops available for circulation by our patrons.

2. Laptops and power cords cannot be reserved ahead of time. They are available on a strictly first-come, first-served basis.

3. Both long- and short-term loans are available. The long-term circulation period is for the duration of the current semester, with no renewals allowed (laptops must be returned at the end of the semester so we can assess their condition and perform any outstanding software updates). The short-term circulation period is three weeks, with the option to renew one time.

4. Laptops and power cords must be returned to the Circulation Desk (not deposited in an outside drop box). The Circulation staff will check the laptop for damages and operational functionality. The person to whom the laptop was checked out may be charged the cost of reasonable repairs. The presence or absence of a power cord will also be noted.

5. Patrons are responsible for any damage to the laptops and power cords while they are checked out to them. A laptop and/or power cord not returned within 14 days after the due date will be declared lost.

6. A laptop reported stolen, damaged beyond repair, or lost (not returned) will result in a $1,000.00 fee to the patron who had the laptop checked out.

7. A power cord reported stolen or lost (not returned) will result in a $65.00 lost fee to the patron who had the power cord checked out.