LAS IT Notification

Windows Update Policy

**Notice:** This is an informational message to state that in accordance with UIC’s IT Security Policy (§ SS.S.3.1.b System Security Standard), the college is required to ensure that all university devices remain current with all vendor provided security patches. To meet this requirement, the LAS IT Office has created this formal “Windows Update Policy.” The primary objective is to ensure that the computers connected to UIC’s network have the most recent Critical Security Updates as required by policy and strongly encouraged by Microsoft.

**Implementation Date:** 04/04/2022

**Impacted Devices:** Any University Windows device connected to Active Directory

**Installation Window:** After Business hours every Thursday, between 2:00 AM and 6:00 AM

**Additional Information:**

- Please do not shut down your computers, but please do save all of your work and log-off at the end of the day, during the installation window indicated above. Required restarts may not succeed if a user is logged in.
- Computers not connected to UIC’s Active Directory (AD) may not be properly updated.
- If you are uncertain whether your computer is connected to AD or if you would like it connected to AD, please contact lassupport@uic.edu to schedule an LAS IT support technician to assist.
- Any users who may need to request support from LAS IT should have their computer added to AD as a standard practice since it affords the most effective tools for providing support in-person or virtually and may avoid additional steps to resolve a problem.
- Computers connected to AD receiving updates will be provided with three opportunities to delay a restart after the installation of updates. In the event the three delays have all expired, the computer may automatically install the pending updates and restart at the next available time.
- If there are any questions or concerns regarding this notification, please contact lassupport@uic.edu.