

Administrative Software Request

Description

The following outlines the procedural steps necessary to successfully request and have client based software installed on Administrative PC's in the college.

Process

- 1. Requesting department identifies application need.
- 2. Requesting department verifies with User Services that current equipment meets minimum requirements for software install and operation.
- 3. Requesting department purchases software media and necessary licenses to comply with scope of request.
- 4. Please submit an online request form at the following location http://itservices.tri-c.edu/desktopservices/service-requests.html.
- 5. User Services verifies licenses and schedules installation.
- 6. User Services manually installs on identified systems IF Qty = 5 units or less.
- 7. User Services builds installation package IF Qty > 5 units.
- 8. User Services works will deploy as appropriate SCCM, Login Script, etc. (If a larger percentage of clients require usage, User Services will also add to core image)
- 9. Patches, updates, revisions, and new versions are processed and applied based on critical urgency and by requests as appropriate.

Unlicensed Software

*No unlicensed software will be installed on any Administrative production client.

Approvals

- The requesting department Supervisor, Director or next level Management approval is required to process any software installation request.
- Information Technology Services is final approver for all software installation requests.



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customercaretechsupport@tri-c.edu or dial HELP x4357

Thank you in advance for your corporation.

Sincerely,

User Services