

FAQ - Laptop Video Connectors

Laptop computers use various types of connectors to send video and images to an external display. When connecting to the AV system in a classroom or lecture hall, make sure you have the proper adapter for your laptop computer. This FAQ will go over the most common types of laptop video connectors.

VGA



VGA is the most common connection used for external monitors and video projectors. This is the type of plug used to connect laptops to the AV systems in all classrooms and lecture halls. If your laptop does not have a VGA port, you will need one of the following adapters to convert the laptop's video output to VGA.

DVI



This is a DVI plug. If your laptop has a DVI port instead of a VGA port, you will need a DVI-to-VGA adapter.

HDMI



This is an HDMI plug. If your laptop has an HDMI port instead of a VGA port, you will need an HDMI-to-VGA adapter.

Micro DVI



This is a Micro DVI plug. If your laptop has a Micro DVI port instead of a VGA port, you will need a Micro DVI-to-VGA adapter.

Mini DisplayPort



This is a Mini DisplayPort plug. If your laptop has a Mini DisplayPort instead of a VGAport, you will need a Mini DisplayPort-to-VGAadapter.

Mini DVI



This is a Mini DVI plug. If your laptop has a Mini DVI port instead of a VGA port, you will need a Mini DVI-to-VGA adapter.

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