TSU Policy on VISTA
The New Microsoft Operating System

The Communication and Information Technologies department recommends the following in reference to the new Microsoft operating system Vista:

I. Do not install the Vista operating system on faculty or staff computers at TSU for the following reasons:

   1.. The installation of Vista requires a PC to have at least 1 GB (preferably 2 GB) of memory and an enhanced video graphics card.   Few machines on campus can meet these specifications.
   2.. Vista uses Internet Explorer version 7 which is incompatible with Banner
   3.. Vista compatible versions of Trend Micro antivirus software is only available in Beta versions with full compatibility scheduled for the first half of 2007.

II. Install Vista in computer labs within academic areas that have specific curriculum needs that will require the new OS.

III. Prepare for future implementation of Vista through new computer purchases with the following hardware specifications:

   1 GHz 32-bit (x86) or 64-bit (x64) processor
   2 GB RAM
   DirectX 9 graphics with 128 MB
   40 GB Hard Drive (with Microsoft Windows XP installed)

IV. Revisit the issue in the Spring 2008 semester to determine campus hardware levels and software compatibility.