

“No Input Detected” on Projector

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How to fix the “No input detected” message that appears when a laptop connected via a docking station or USB-C cable does not display on the projector.

Steps:

1. Ensure the monitor or projector is powered on and the correct input source (HDMI, DisplayPort, etc.) is selected.
2. On the laptop keyboard, press **Windows + P** at the same time. The "Windows" key is the 4 little squares to the left of the Space bar.
3. A sidebar titled **Project** will appear on the right side of the screen.
4. Use the arrow keys to highlight **Duplicate** and press Enter.
 - a. **Duplicate** mirrors your laptop screen to the external display.
 - b. If set to PC screen only, the external display will remain blank
5. Wait a few seconds for the signal to sync. The display should now show the laptop's screen.

Troubleshooting

- If the screen still shows “No input detected”
 - Reseat the USB-C or HDMI cable.
 - Try a different cable or port.
 - Restart the laptop while the external display is connected.
 - If using a docking station, verify that it's powered and white LED light is lit up on the end of the cable.
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