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Get Started with Brown's VPN (Virtual Private Network)

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Many Brown services are available for use as "on-campus"-only. **Brown's VPN connects you to Brown's network** *when you are off-campus. You might use VPN to* **access campus-only resources** *like library resources or keyed software, or you might just want to* **secure your internet traffic when you are on public or untrusted wifi***.*

VPN is *Not* Needed from off-campus to:

- Check your **Brown e-mail or other G-Suite tools like Google Docs** (uses Google authentication)
- Login to **Workday**
- Go to the Brown home page **www.brown.edu** and most unrestricted Brown websites
- Connect to **most Library resources**
- Login to **MyAccount** Portal.
- Use **MyApps**
- Use **Banner Self-Service**
- Log in to **SalesForce**

You *Do* Need VPN from off-campus to:

- Connect to **network file shares** (Like **S:\, H:** and **U:** Drives, or folders on any University or Department file server.
- **Secure your connection** in a public place such as a coffee shop, airport, or hotel.
- **Install new software** from our Software Catalog, or using installation tools on Brown-managed computers such as Self Service (Macs) and Software Center (PCs)
- Use some license **restricted Brown software** (Like Stata or ArcGISPro)
- Use **Banner Admin** (not needed for Banner Self-Service)
- Use **Cognos Analytics** reporting
- Use software such as **SSH** (Secure Shell software typically used to connect to **Unix & Linux systems**)
- Start a **Remote Desktop connection to a Brown server** (Stronghold, for example)

- Connect to **FileMaker databases**
- Connect to **some secure Brown University websites** (Like MyPrint)
- **Send MyPrint print jobs** (most other print services at Brown will not work remotely at all)
- Connect to Tableau Server from Tableau Desktop (not needed to log into Tableau Server directly)

 *** If you experience connectivity problems when using a program or resource off-campus, connect to the VPN to see if you have better results.

Install the Software:

On a computer:

- Connect To Brown's VPN (Mac or Windows)
- Connect to Brown's VPN on a Chromebook

On a mobile device:

- Connect To Brown's VPN on iOS
- Connect To Brown's VPN On Android