



## How to Check for and Remove Oracle Java from Your Computer

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Many members of the Brown community have Oracle's Java software installed on their computer. For most of us, this software is no longer needed. Due to a change by Oracle in their licensing terms, Brown is subject to significant new licensing costs for using the software.

If you are not using Java for a specific software application, we request that you uninstall Java from your computer as soon as possible.

### Windows

1. From Start Menu type "Control Panel" and launch it
2. Select "Programs and Features"
3. Find the "Java" entry and right-mouse click and select "uninstall"
4. When completed, Java will be removed from your computer

### macOS

Please follow these instructions from Oracle:

[https://www.java.com/en/download/help/mac\\_uninstall\\_java.html](https://www.java.com/en/download/help/mac_uninstall_java.html) (you will need to enter your password in order to run the Terminal commands listed in the instructions)

### Alternatives to Oracle Java

If you need an alternative to Oracle Java, you may be able to replace it with [OpenJDK](#) and [OpenWebStart](#), free and open-source Java alternatives. OIT recommends [OpenWebStart for use with the COEUS application](#). OpenJDK may also be helpful in other Java-based applications.

If you need assistance on the removal of Java, or have questions about which alternatives might be right for you, please reach out to the OIT Service Center.