Virtual Private Network (VPN)

Virtual Private Networking (VPN) software creates a secure, encrypted connection between your off-campus computing device (laptop, phone, tablet) and the campus network. There are two ways to connect to VPN, either via the downloadable client or via the web.

Via the Client:

Pulse Secure VPN Client

The VPN client option allows members of the university community who have a NetID to securely access University of Connecticut networks and provides full service access to network resources similarly to being on campus. The client needs to be installed on your workstation. This is the recommended method of connecting to the VPN.

To connect using this method on Windows, Mac, Linux, or a Mobile device, please see the [Connect via the VPN Client page](http://s.uconn.edu/vpn).

Via the Web:

Web Access Proxy (Web VPN)

Web Access Proxy (Web VPN) is a service which allows a client to access web pages restricted to campus clients via a secured connection from off campus locations. While the majority UConn web sites are available globally, a subset of them is only accessible from on campus locations.

The Web VPN option allows users to access such sites remotely after using their NetID to authenticate to the portal.

To connect using this method, please see the [Connect via the Web page](http://s.uconn.edu/anyware).

Related Articles

- Accessing the UConn Network Through a VPN Client
- Accessing the UConn Network Through a Web Browser

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> Note

Web access through the VPN Portal is being discontinued on November 1, 2019:

The VPN service enables access to university resources by creating a secure, encrypted connection between off-campus computing devices and the campus network. The VPN portal has been historically used to access certain websites. ITS is making changes to the service that will require us to disable this functionality on November 1.

The Pulse Secure VPN desktop and mobile client will not be impacted.

There are other ways to access these websites that are better supported and provide a better experience.

- Try checking the access to websites via your regular browser (e.g., Chrome, Firefox, Safari). Many websites have been modified so that you can access them off-campus by logging in with your NetID credentials.
- Use the Pulse Secure VPN Client installed on your PC, MAC, iOS, or Android device. Instructions are available at [http://s.uconn.edu/vpn](http://s.uconn.edu/vpn).
- Use the browsers offered in UConn AnyWare to access the site: [http://s.uconn.edu/anyware](http://s.uconn.edu/anyware)