Installing SMU VPN for Windows

Introduction

The SMU Virtual Private Networking (VPN) service allows SMU faculty, staff and students to access secure SMU network resources while connected to an outside ISP.

Instructions (Windows 2000 SP4 to Windows 10)

1. Open the web browser of your choice.
2. Go to vpn.smu.edu
3. Log in with your SMU ID and password.
4. Click **AnyConnect** in the left-hand toolbar on the Cisco VPN page.
5. Click **Start AnyConnect**.
6. The page will begin the installation process automatically if Java is installed on your computer.
   a. If the Java installer fails, click on the provided link to download the manual installer and run the installer from your Downloads folder.
7. Once the installer runs, accept the default options and **Continue**.
8. After installation is complete, the VPN client should open. Enter **vpn.smu.edu** in the **Server Address** field.
   a. If the VPN client does not open automatically after installation, look for **Cisco AnyConnect Client** in your start menu or search.
9. Enter your SMU ID and password when prompted. Click **OK**.
10. The VPN client will now connect.

Connecting to a Network Drive (Windows 7, 8, 10)

1. Open the **File Explorer**.
   a. Windows 7: Click Start, then Computer.
   b. Windows 8 & 10: Right-click on Start, then File Explorer.
2. Click **Map Network Drive**.
   a. Windows 7: Button located on top toolbar of File Explorer.
   b. Windows 8 & 10: Click **Computer** tab, then **Map Network Drive** icon.
3. Select desired drive letter.
4. Type the path to the network drive in the **Folder** field.
   a. Example: \\smu.edu\Files\Department
5. Check **Reconnect at sign-in** if you would like this folder to always connect when you log into the computer.
6. Click **Finish**.
7. The network drive will now connect and display on your screen.