Emory College Centralized Disk Storage (CDS)

Instructions for MAC OS X

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Emory College provides Centralized Disk Storage (CDS) to allow College departments, research labs, and faculty/staff to store their data. To connect to the CDS from a non-Emory network, you must connect to the Emory F5 Edge VPN (Virtual Private Network) first. Please follow the instructions below, provided by Emory College Computing Support (ECCS). If you are on campus, please skip the first step.

I. Establishing F5 Edge VPN access

For Apple® Mac OS® X 10.7.x or later

If you are connecting from off campus, open the application "BIG-IP Edge Client" from your Applications folder. If you do not have this application installed, go to http://it.emory.edu/vpntools/ to install it.

Alternatively, you can open your web browser (Safari or Firefox) and go to the URL https://vpn.emory.edu and follow the steps. (Note that the first time you go to the VPN website, you will be required to install a browser plug-in).

II. Connecting to the CDS

1. Click on the "Go" menu in the Finder, and select "Connect to Server".
2. In the "Server Address" box, type one of the following:

- **Dept. Share**: smb://nasn2ac.cc.emory.edu/ECAS-Share
- **Research Share (if applicable)**: smb://nasn2ac.cc.emory.edu/ECAS-Research
- **Home Folder**: smb://nasn2ac.cc.emory.edu/ECAS-Home

♠ Click the "+" to add the address to your Favorite Servers.

3. Click Connect. You will be asked for your user name and password. Enter your Emory NetID and password, and click the OK button. You can optionally check the box "Remember this password in my keychain".
An icon will appear on your desktop for the CDS share you connected to. It should look like the icon below. (The name will reflect the name of the share).

In OS 10.7.x or later, the share might not show up on the desktop depending on your Finder preferences. You may need to change the Finder preferences. To do so, go to "Finder" on the menu, select "Preferences…", and check the box "Connected servers". This will show any mounted shares on your Desktop.

4. Open the icon for the share and you should now be able to drag and drop files and folders to and from your folder.

If you have any problems or questions, please contact your ECCS team by emailing echelp@emory.edu or by calling (404)727-5757.