Downloading and Installing WiscVPN (Virtual Private Network) – PC Instructions
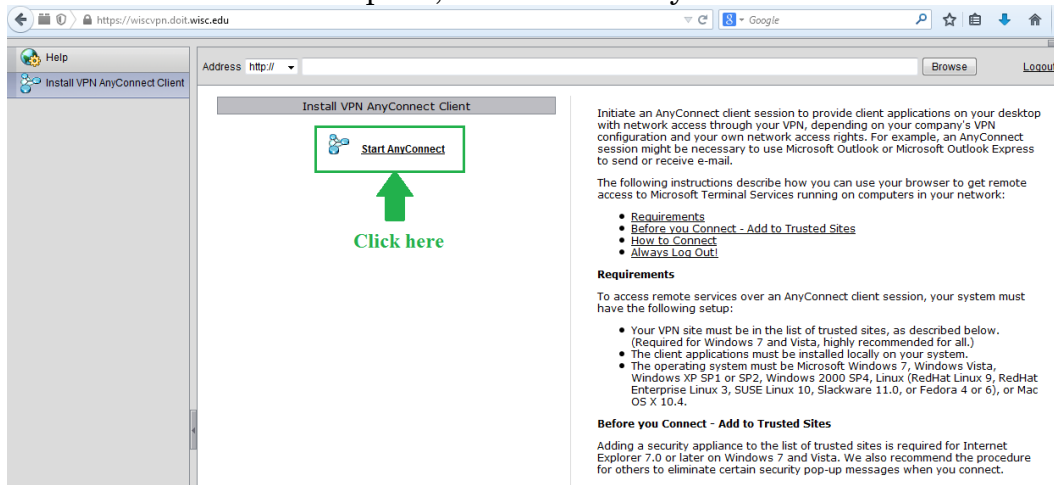
1. Go to https://www.doit.wisc.edu/network/vpn/ and click the correct version for your computer.
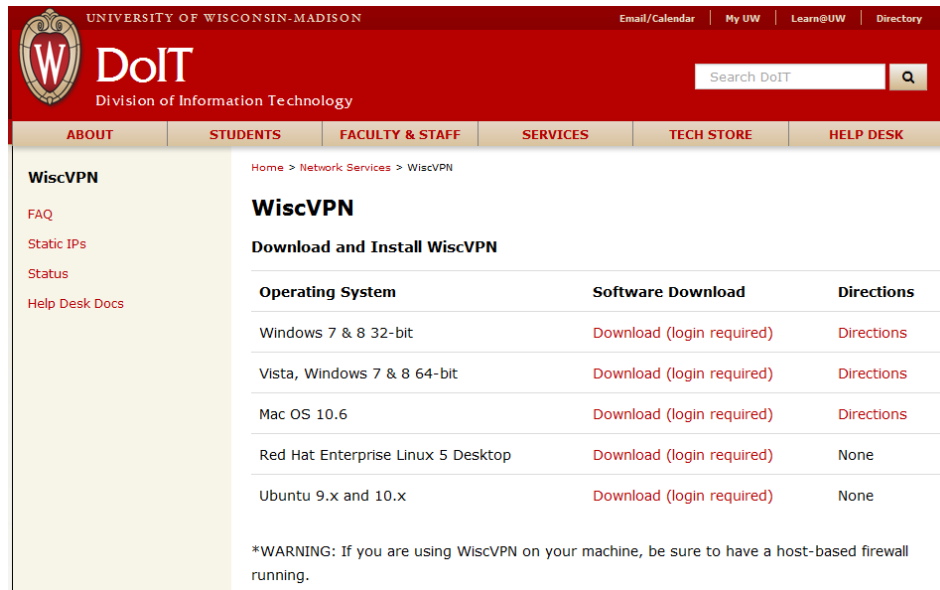

2. Select "IP-pool" for the GROUP and log in with your NetID and password (note that you should use NetID – the same login info as you use for wiscmail – and NOT your chemistry login at this point)


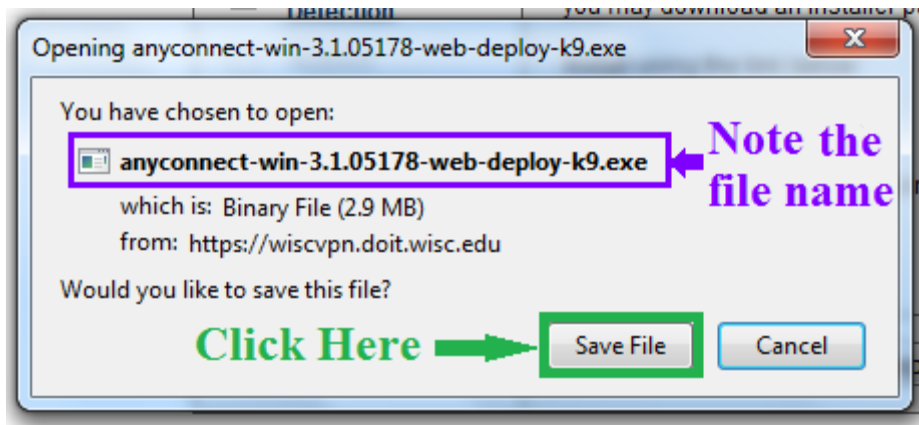3. In the new screen that opens, click "Start AnyConnect"

4. It will attempt to download through Java and you will see the following loading screen for approximately 1 minute. However, IT WILL FAIL. **Wait until it fails and offers the option to download directly** (below).
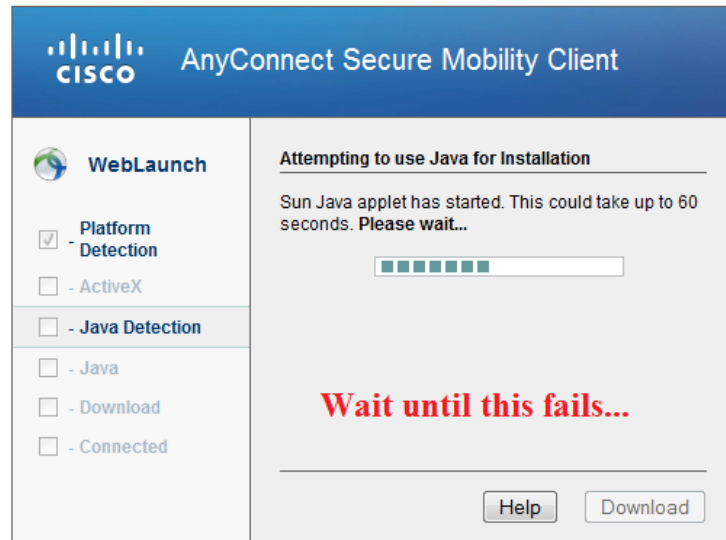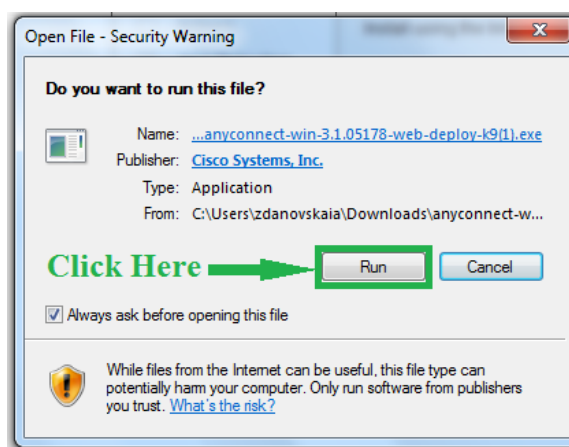
Once it fails, it will offer the option to download directly. Click "Windows Desktop" or the equivalent option for Mac.
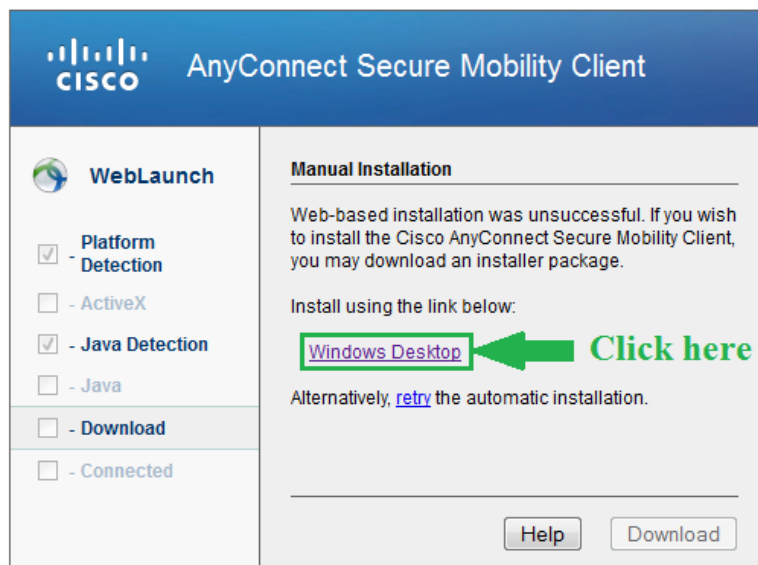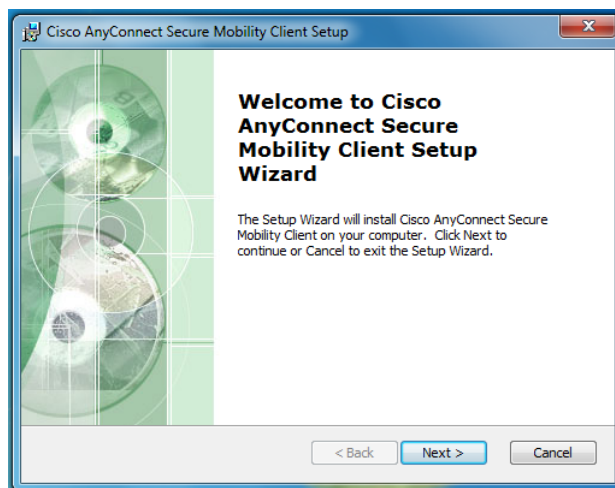
5. Note the file name and select "Save File" on the box that pops up (alternately, it might just show the download in the lower left-hand corner of your browser)

Opening anyconnect-win-3.1.05178-web-deploy-k9.exe

You have chosen to open:

 anyconnect-win-3.1.05178-web-deploy-k9.exe   **Note the file name**

which is: Binary File (2.9 MB)
from: https://wiscvpn.doit.wisc.edu

Would you like to save this file?

Click Here ➡️ Save File   Cancel

6. Go to your downloaded files and select the program using the name noted in the previous step or open the downloaded file from your browser. Click "Run".


Open File - Security Warning

Do you want to run this file?

Name: ...anyconnect-win-3.1.05178-web-deploy-k9(1).exe
Publisher: Cisco Systems, Inc.
Type: Application
From: C:\Users\zdanovskaia\Downloads\anyconnect-w...

Click Here ➡️ Run   Cancel

☑ Always ask before opening this file

⚠️ While files from the Internet can be useful, this file type can potentially harm your computer. Only run software from publishers you trust. What's the risk?

7. The installer will open. Click "Next"
   - Accept the License terms and continue
   - Click "Install"

Cisco AnyConnect Secure Mobility Client Setup

Welcome to Cisco AnyConnect Secure Mobility Client Setup Wizard

The Setup Wizard will install Cisco AnyConnect Secure Mobility Client on your computer. Click Next to continue or Cancel to exit the Setup Wizard.

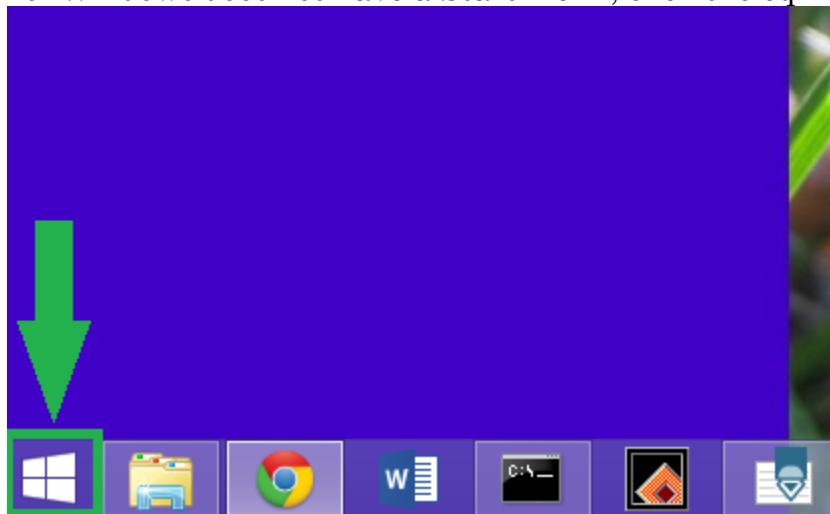< Back   Next >   Cancel

   - Allow the program to make changes to your computer when the security windows pops up.
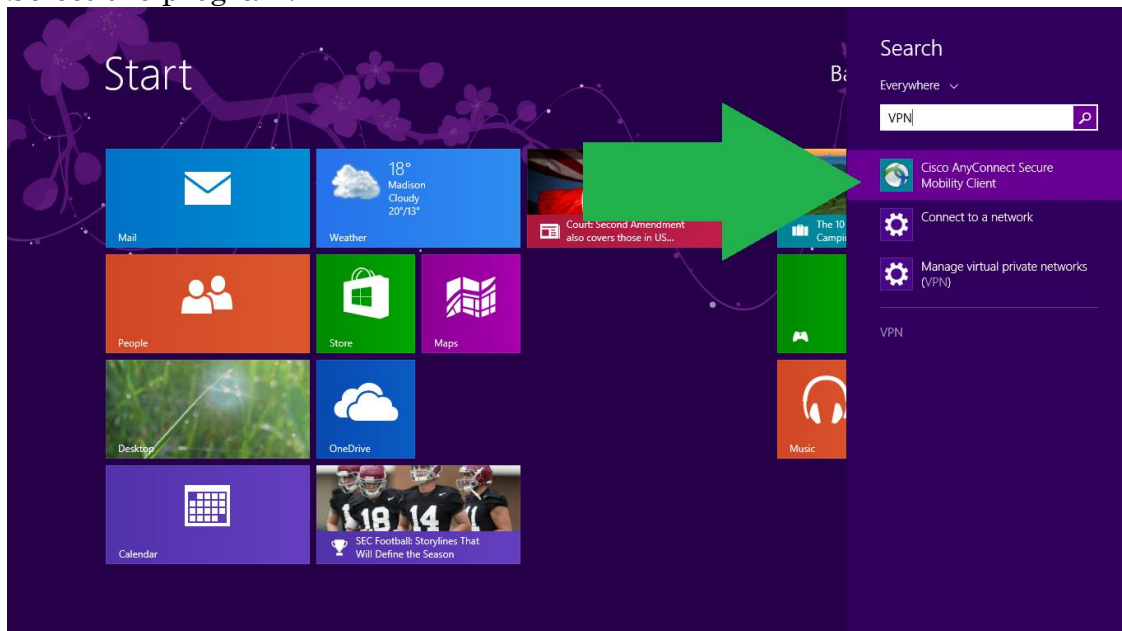   - Click "Finish" when the installer is finished.

8. You may now use the program. You can find it in your programs, or it may automatically appear in the start menu:
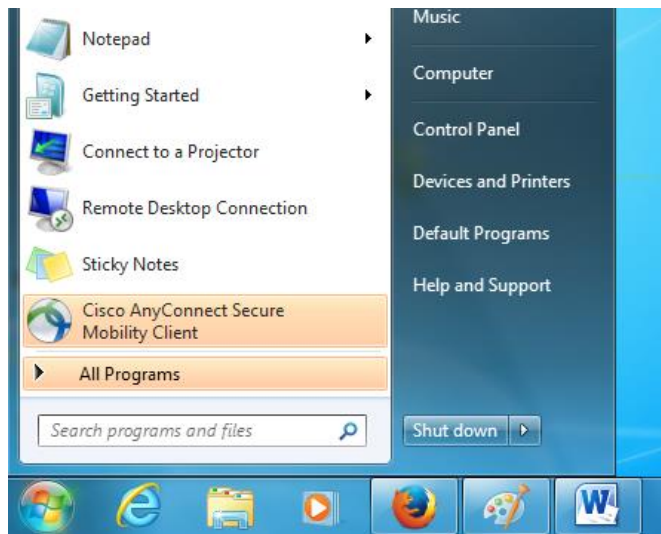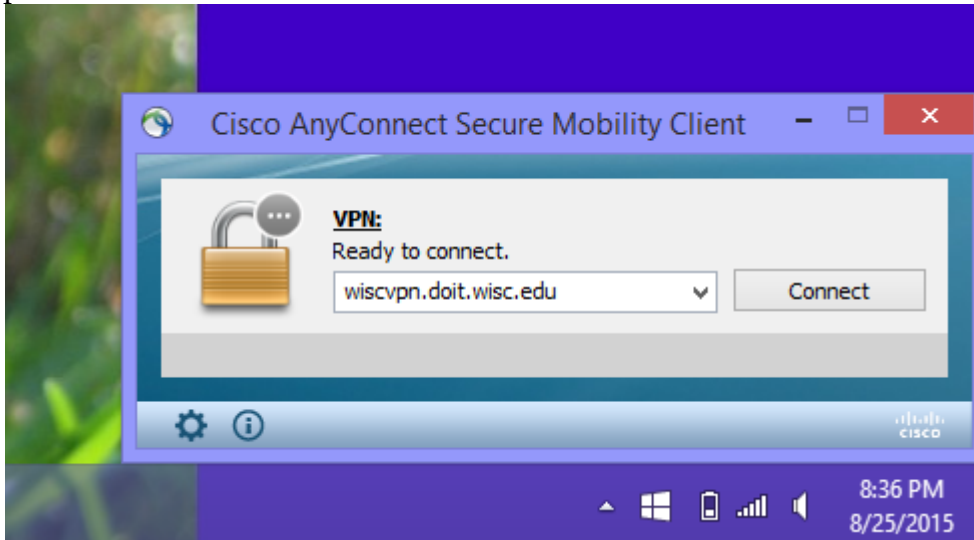

- If your version of Windows does not have a Start menu, click the equivalent button
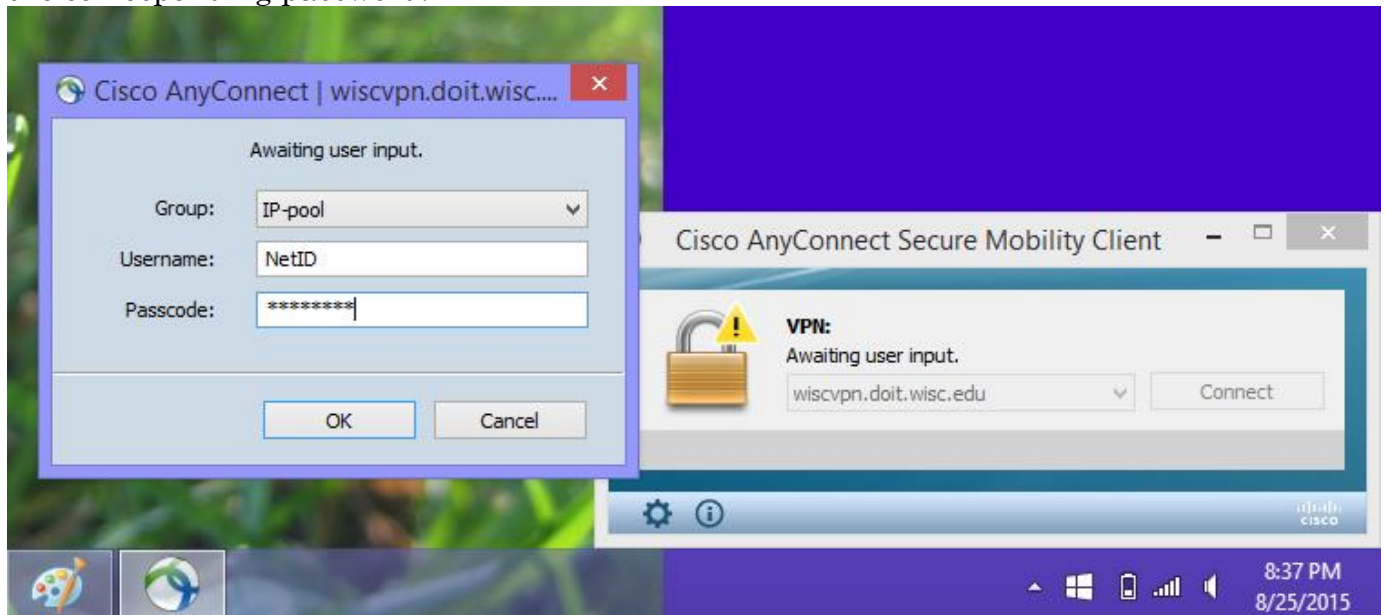

- Type "VPN". The program will appear on the right-hand side of your start menu. Select the program.

9. The client will appear in the bottom, right-hand corner of your screen. Type "wiscvpn.doit.wisc.edu" in the box and click "Connect".
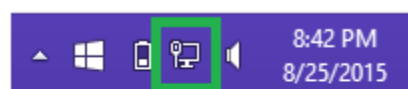

10. You will be prompted for your login information. Again, use your Wisconsin NetID and the corresponding password.

11. Wait for it to connect. This may take some time. If you are connected wirelessly, you will know it has connected because your usual "bar" internet connection symbol will change to a computer with a cable icon.