

# Using WinSCP to download Linux files

*How to use WinSCP, on Windows*

1. Download WinSCP from: <https://winscp.net/eng/download.php> If you've saved it to your Downloads folder (the default for most browsers), double click the WinSCP-Setup.exe file to install it. Enter admin credentials for your computer, if prompted.
2. Leave all of the install settings as the default selections. Uncheck the Open Getting Started page.
3. On the Login window that opens:
  - for the File Protocol, select **SCP** from the dropdown menu
  - in the **Host name** box, type in the name of the Linux computer: **kangaroo.nvu.vsc.edu**
  - in the **User name** box, type in your Linux username, and type in your Linux password in the **Password** box (if you don't know these, please email: [Jason.Kaiser@NorthernVermont.edu](mailto:Jason.Kaiser@NorthernVermont.edu))
4. If you want to save this session so you don't have to type in kangaroo each time, click **Save**, OK, and then **Login**. Otherwise, click **Login**
5. On the right-hand side will be your files and directories in your Linux home directory, **/mnt/homes/username** On the left are the files/directories on your local computer.
6. Double click directories to open them. Right click and select New → Directory to create a new directory. Name it a recognizable name.
7. Click and drag files from the right side to the left to download files from Linux to the local computer you're logged into. You will need to do this every time you save a file on the Linux side of things.
8. Once you've moved a file to the local computer that you're logged into, you can browse for the file(s) you've moved, and then do whatever else you need to do with the file. For example, you can add the file as an attachment in an email or submit the file on Canvas.

## Questions? Trouble?

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