# Network Drives: Connect from Windows or macOS

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Mapping a network drive allows you to easily and consistently access its contents via**File Explorer** or **Finder**.

Before you start, you will need accessing to the following:

- a laptop or desktop with internet access
- Off-campus: a connection to the College VPN

# Choose a network drive

Name of Drive	Access	Primary Use	
Home Drive <b>(H:)</b>	You	Day-to-day storage of documents and backups	
Departmental Drives (S:)	Your department	Shared and commonly accessed documents and procedures	
Other Drives (O:, Q:, R:, etc.)	Varies	Department-specific functions	
Don't have access to a network drive? Contact the Help Desk!			

## Map a network drive

Want to map multiple drives? Simply follow the instructions below for each drive.

## Windows

- 1. Press the **#** key on your keyboard
- 2. Search for and open File Explorer
- 3. On the left-hand pane, click This PC
- 4. At the top of the window, click the ... and select Map network drive

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- 5. For **Drive**, select either<sup>1</sup> **H**: or **S**: <sup>1</sup>Specialty drives use other drive letters
- 6. For Folder, enter the path of the directory you want:



7. Un-check Reconnect at sign-in

- 8. Check Connect using different credentials
- 9. Click Finish
- 10. When prompted, enter your College username and password
  - If your College username is not accepted, try your full College email address "Remember my credentials" will only work until you change your password
- 11. Click OK
- 12. In a few moments, your mapped drive will open in a new window

### macOS

- 1. Open Finder
- 2. In the top-left of your screen, click **Go** > **Connect to Server**
- 3. For Server Address, enter the path of the directory you want:

#### Home Drive (H:)

smb://home.brynmawr.edu/home/username

#### **Departmental Drives (S:)**

smb://storage.brynmawr.edu/storage

- 4. Click the + to add this address to your favorites
- 5. Click Connect
- 6. When prompted, select Registered User
- 7. Enter your College username and password
  - If your College username is not accepted, try your full College email address
- 8. In a few moments, your mapped drive will open in a new window

# **Questions?**

If you have any additional questions or problems, don't hesitate to reach out to the Help Desk!

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