Overview
George Mason University VPN allows you to connect to Mason networks as if you were on campus, making access to restricted services possible. To connect to the MESA drive from your Windows computer, you need to use the Cisco AnyConnect client.

Using Cisco AnyConnect on Windows 7
1. Open Computer by clicking the Start Button > Computer.

![Image of Windows 7 Start Menu]

2. Tap the Alt key on the keyboard.

3. Click the Tools Menu that appears.

4. Click Map network drive.

![Image of Map network drive dialog]

5. Choose drive letter M:.
6. For the folder, put `\mesa2.mesa.gmu.edu\NetID` (Where NetID is your Patriot Pass NetID)

   Folder: `\mesa2.mesa.gmu.edu\NetID`

7. Make sure both **Reconnect at sign-in** and **Connect using different credentials** are checked.

   - Reconnect at sign-in
   - Connect using different credentials

8. Click **Finish**.

9. Enter the following information and then click **OK**:

   **Username**: mesa\NetID  (Where NetID is your Patriot Pass NetID)
   **Password**: Your Patriot Pass password

10. You are now connected to the MESA drive.

**Using Cisco AnyConnect on Windows 8/10**

1. Connect to the **Cisco VPN**.

2. Launch the File Explorer:
   - **Windows 8**: Navigate to the Desktop. Click the **File Explorer** button.
   - **Windows 10**: Click the **Start** button. Click **File Explorer > This PC**

3. Click the **Computer** tab.
4. Click **Map network drive.**

5. Choose drive letter M:

   ![Map network drive](image)

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   Folder: `\mesa2.mesa.gmu.edu\NetID`

7. Make sure both **Reconnect at sign-in** and **Connect using different credentials** are checked.

   - [ ] Reconnect at sign-in
   - [ ] Connect using different credentials

8. Click **Finish.**

9. Enter the following information and then click **OK:**

   **Username:** mesa\NetID  (*Where NetID is your Patriot Pass NetID*)

   **Password:** Your Patriot Pass password

   ![Network Credentials](image)

10. You are now connected to the MESA drive.

**Disconnect from the MESA Drive**

1. Open **File Explorer.**

2. Right click your M: drive.
3. Click **Disconnect**.

   - **Open**
   - Open in new window
   - Pin to Quick access
   - Scan for Viruses...
   - Restore previous versions
   - Always available offline
   - Pin to Start
   - **Disconnect**
   - Copy
   - Create shortcut
   - Rename
   - Properties