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 VPN from your Windows computer, you need to use the Cisco AnyConnect client.

Using Cisco AnyConnect on Windows 7/10
1. Launch the VPN client:
   - **Windows 7**: Click the **Start** button. If you don’t see **Cisco AnyConnect Secure Mobility Client** in the list of programs, navigate to **All Programs > Cisco > Cisco AnyConnect Secure Mobility Client**. Click **Cisco AnyConnect Secure Mobility Client**.
   - **Windows 10**: Click the **Start** button. If you don’t see **Cisco AnyConnect Secure Mobility Client** in the list of programs, navigate to **All Apps > Cisco > Cisco AnyConnect Secure Mobility Client**. Click **Cisco AnyConnect Secure Mobility Client**.

2. If prompted for a VPN, enter vpn.gmu.edu and then click **Connect**.

3. Enter the following information and then click **OK**:
   - **Group**: Select Auto-Select
   - **Username**: Your Mason Net ID
   - **Password**: Your Mason Patriot Pass password
4. Once the VPN connection is established, the Cisco AnyConnect icon with a small lock will appear in the notification area located in the lower-right corner of your screen. (Note: You may need to click the arrow to show hidden icons to see it.)

Using Cisco AnyConnect on Windows 8
1. Open **Cisco AnyConnect** by clicking the **Start Screen**, then clicking the **Search** button.

2. Type “Cisco” (without the quotes).

3. Click **Cisco AnyConnect Secure Mobility Client**.
4. If prompted for a VPN, enter vpn.gmu.edu and then click Connect.

5. Enter the following information and then click OK:
   - **Group**: Select Auto-Select
   - **Username**: Your Mason Net ID
   - **Password**: Your Mason Patriot Pass password

6. Once the VPN connection is established, the Cisco AnyConnect icon with a small lock will appear in the notification area located in the lower-right corner of your screen. (Note: You may need to click the arrow to show hidden icons to see it.)
Disconnect from the Mason VPN

1. In the notification area, click the **Cisco AnyConnect icon** with a small lock.

2. At the prompt, click **Disconnect**.

3. Disconnect from the VPN.