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Please make the following changes:

Make the mapped network drive visible on the Mac desktop

It’s possible that the mounted drive will not appear on the desktop due to the default system settings. If you want the mapped drive icon to be visible on the Desktop, be sure to do the following additional steps:

- From the Finder, open Finder Preferences by hitting Command+,
- Click the General tab
- Select the checkbox next to ‘Connected Servers’
- Close Finder Preferences

Next you will download the VPN software so that you can map the network drive when away from Campus. If you already have VPN installed on your machine, please skip this step.

Open a browser (Chrome, Safari, Firefox) and type in the following address: http://vpn.utexas.edu

You will log in with your UT EID and your EID Password. Next, follow the instructions when prompted to finish the installation.

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Once VPN has finished the installation process, you will do the following to connect to VPN.

Open the VPN software from Applications, the dock (if you set that option) or from the top left hand corner of your machine next to the Wireless icon. Type in vpn.uteas.edu in the field and click “connect”.

You will then type in your UT EID and EID password when prompted.

When Connection is established, the icon will look like a baseball with a lock icon:

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Make the connection to the network drive.

Once the VPN connection is established, please perform the following steps.

On the finder menu bar, click **GO>Connect to Server**

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Next, you will enter the path name for your network drive and click connect. I’ve used my network drive as an example. The path is usually smb://austin.utexas.edu/disk/law/first initial last name or specific department drive name.

A new window will pop up and ask you for your UT EID and UT EID Password.

Click “Connect” and the drive will map.

Make sure that you eject the network drive before closing your VPN session if you are working off campus.

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