

Logging into the VCL with local file access from a Mac

Log into the VCL as you normally would and create a reservation

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This page will automatically update every 20 seconds until the **Pending...** reservation is ready.



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Click the **Connect!** button to get further information about connecting to the reserved system. You must click the button from a web browser running on the same computer from which you will be connecting to the remote computer; otherwise, you may be denied access to the machine.

Once 'Pending' turns into a 'Connect!' button, click it to bring up the connection information box

Connect

Connect to reservation using Remote Desktop for Windows

You will need to use a Remote Desktop program to connect to the system. If you did not click on the **Connect!** button from the computer you will be using to access the VCL system, you will need to return to the **Current Reservations** page and click the **Connect!** button from a web browser running on the same computer from which you will be connecting to the VCL system. Otherwise, you may be denied access to the remote computer.

Use the following information when you are ready to connect:

- **Remote Computer:** 152.19.196.238
- **User ID:** armurray
- **Password:** 8XunQX

NOTE: The given password is for *this reservation only*. You will be given a different password for any other reservations.

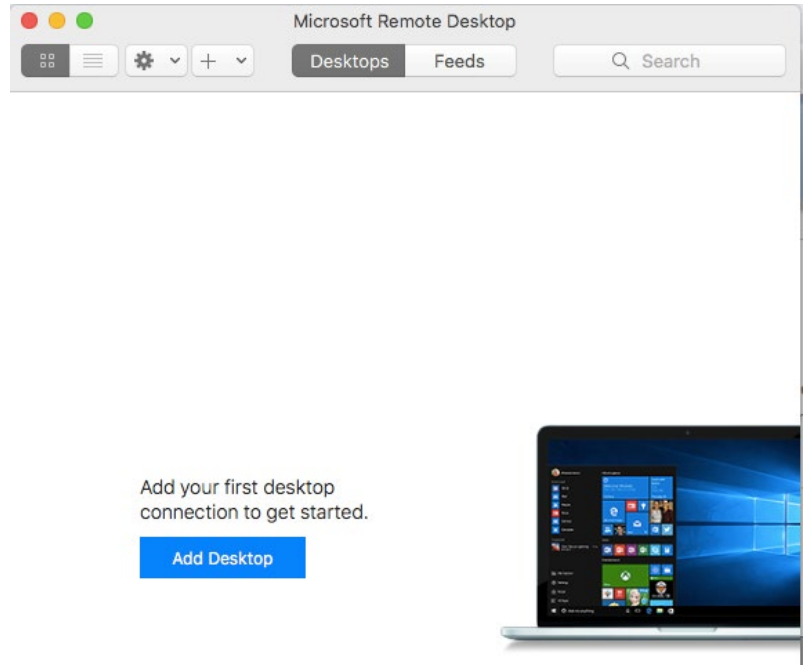
For automatic connection, you can download an RDP file that can be opened by the Remote Desktop Connection program.

[Get RDP File](#)

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Instead of clicking the 'Get RDP File' button, copy the IP address listed as 'Remote Computer'.

Open the Microsoft Remote Desktop app that you downloaded from the app store and click 'Add Desktop'



Add Desktop

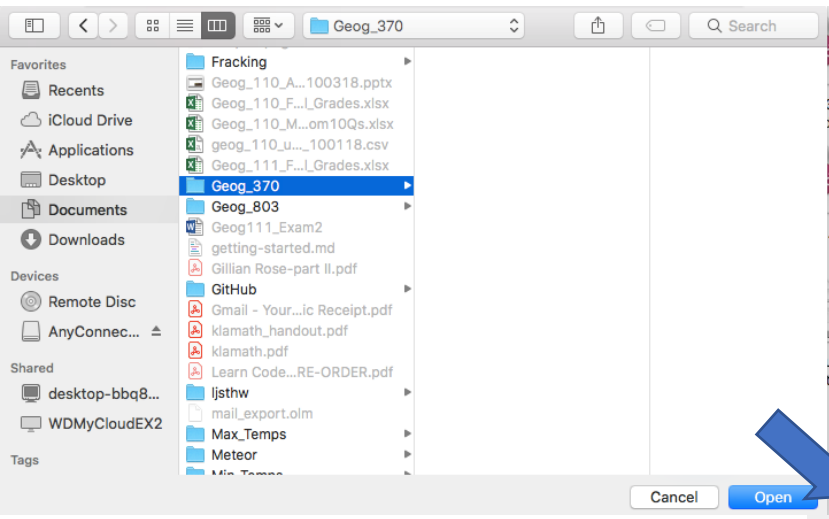
PC Name:

User Account:

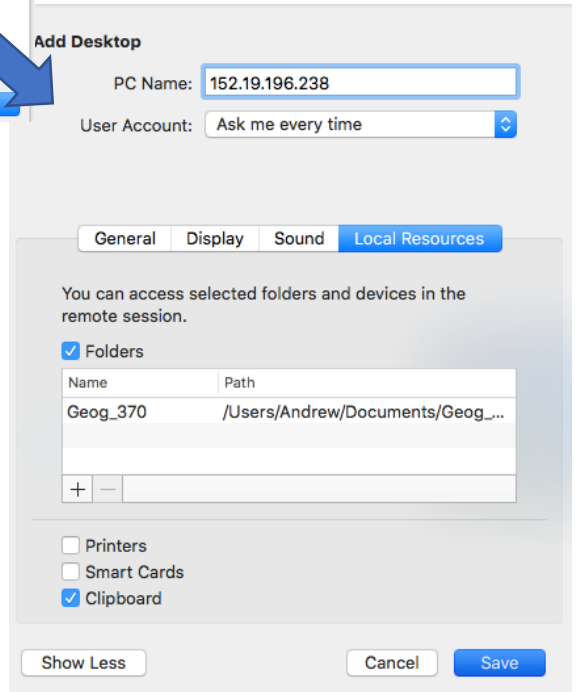
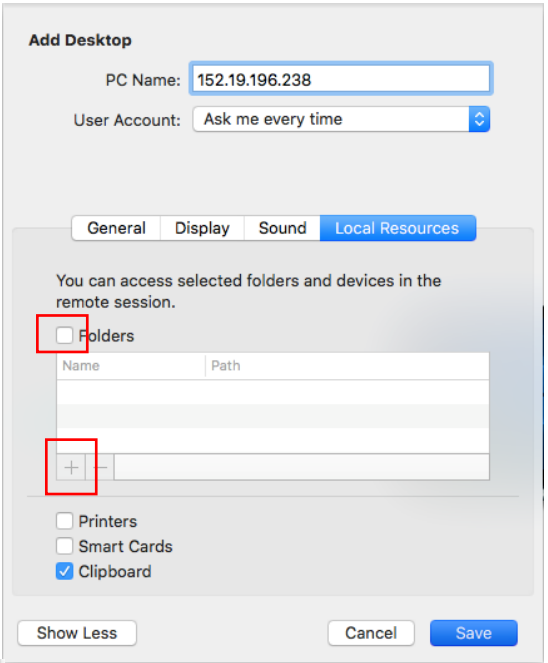
Paste the IP address into the 'PC Name' dialog box and then click 'Show More'

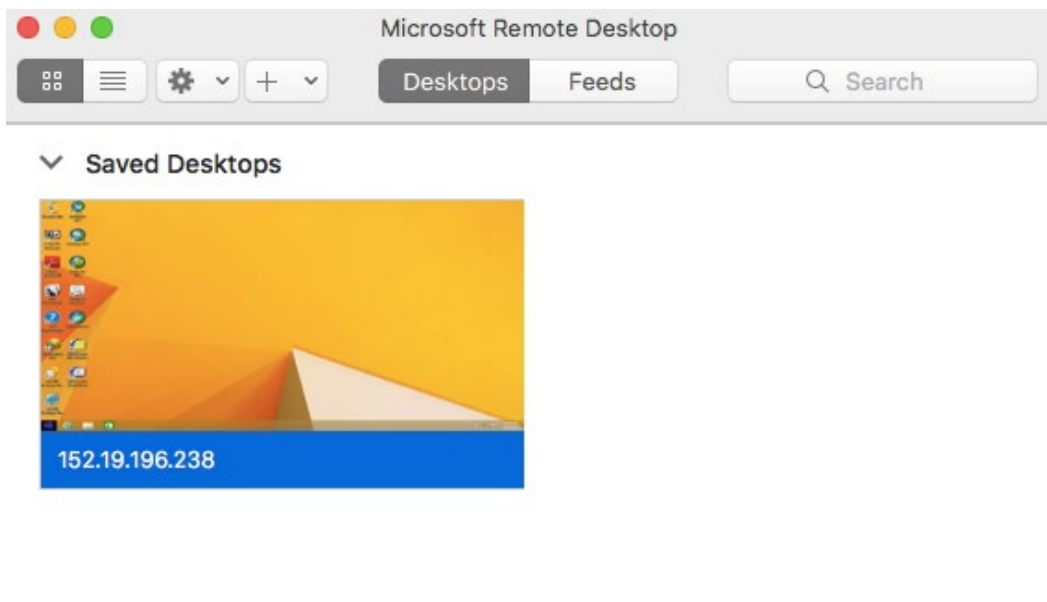
Click on the 'Local Resources' tab, then check the 'Folders' checkbox, then click the '+' button in the bottom left corner of the empty table.

Navigate to the folder you want to be available during your VCL session. You can just select your whole Documents folder or something else. In this case I created an empty folder called 'Geog_370'

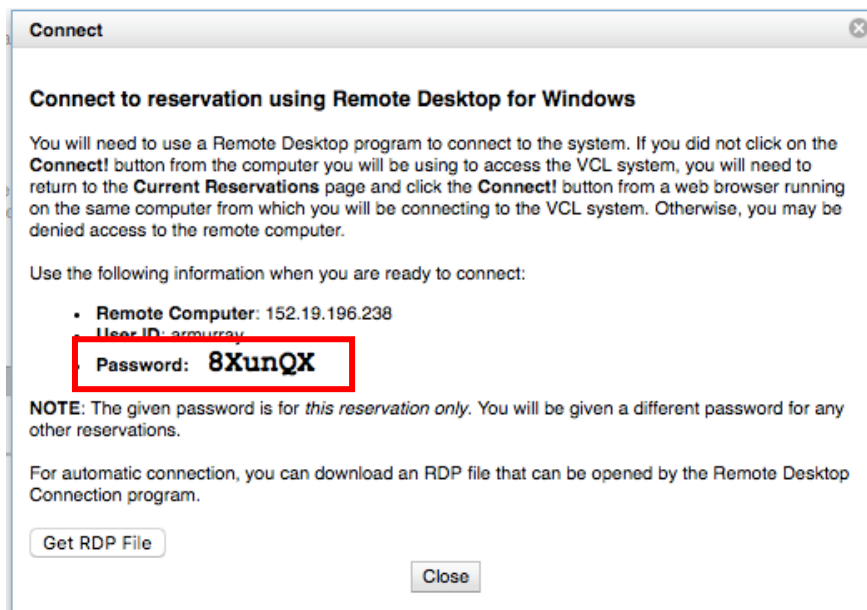


Click 'Open' which will return you to the Add Desktop settings. Your settings should now look like this with your file path. Click 'Save'

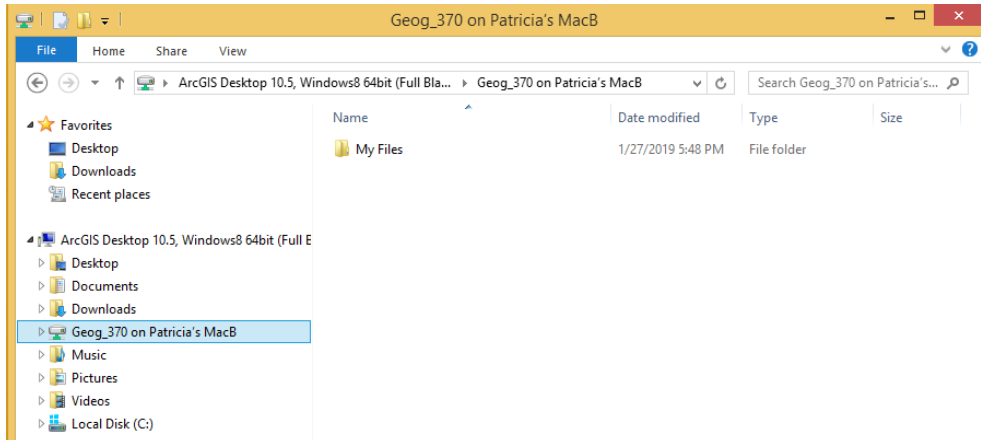




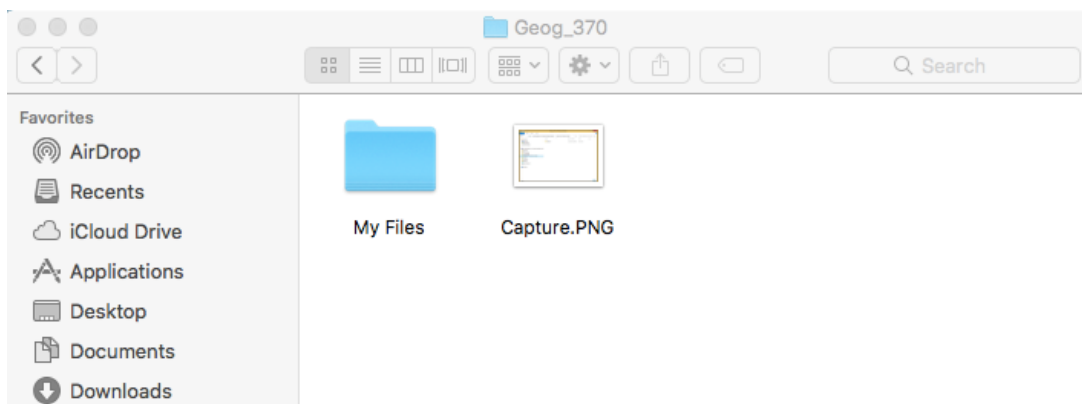
Now you should be back at the main screen of the Microsoft Remote Desktop and there will be a saved desktop there. Double-click it to initiate your session (the icon may look different, don't worry about that). When prompted, enter your onyen as the username and the password that was given to you on the connect screen when you first started the VCL session



Once your session has started you can now open up file explorer and see that the folder you chose (from your personal computer) is now visible on this remote computer. I created another folder in here called 'My Files' and then I took this screenshot. I then saved this screenshot to the folder to demonstrate that I can also access it from my mac



Below is a screenshot from my mac, taken after I minimized my VCL session, as you can see the folder I created, as well as the screenshot I took from within the VCL are now accessible from my regular finder window.



That's it!