

Installing R, RStudio and R Commander

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Please go through the following steps to ensure that you have the correct software installed on your laptop. Three pieces of software are required.

R is our recommended language for statistical analysis and **RStudio** is the GUI that we recommend for working with R. However, **RStudio** requires the user to work at the command-line, which is beyond the scope of the course and distracts from the statistical concepts we are trying to teach. Therefore, we use another software package, **R commander**, to run within RStudio and provide point and click access to statistical tests.

Windows PC



1. Download the latest version of 'R' from >>>[here](#)<<<. Install onto your laptop, accepting the default options.
2. Download the latest version of 'RStudio Desktop' from >>>[here](#)<<< and install onto your laptop, accepting the default options



3. Load RStudio

Once loaded, type the following in the 'Console' in the bottom-left where the 'blinking' cursor is;

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4. You should now be able to load 'R commander' by typing the following

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A new X11 window should open. This is R commander.

Mac OSX



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3. Mac OSX users also need to download and install >>>[Xcode](#)<<<. You may need to sign-up for a **Apple-ID** to do this.



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