



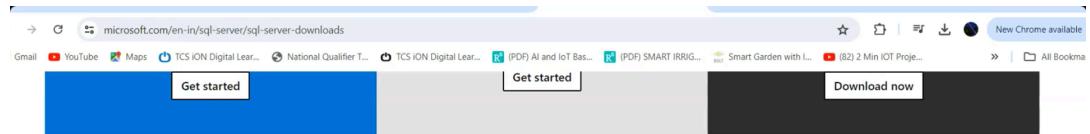
Module 13: Installation and Getting Started

💻 Installing SQL Server & SSMS (SQL Server Management Studio)

This module walks you through setting up the tools needed to run SQL queries on your system.

⬇️ Step 1: Download SQL Server (Express Edition)

1. Go to: <https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/sql-server/sql-server-downloads>
2. Choose **Express version** (free).
3. Save the installer to your **Downloads** folder or any preferred location.



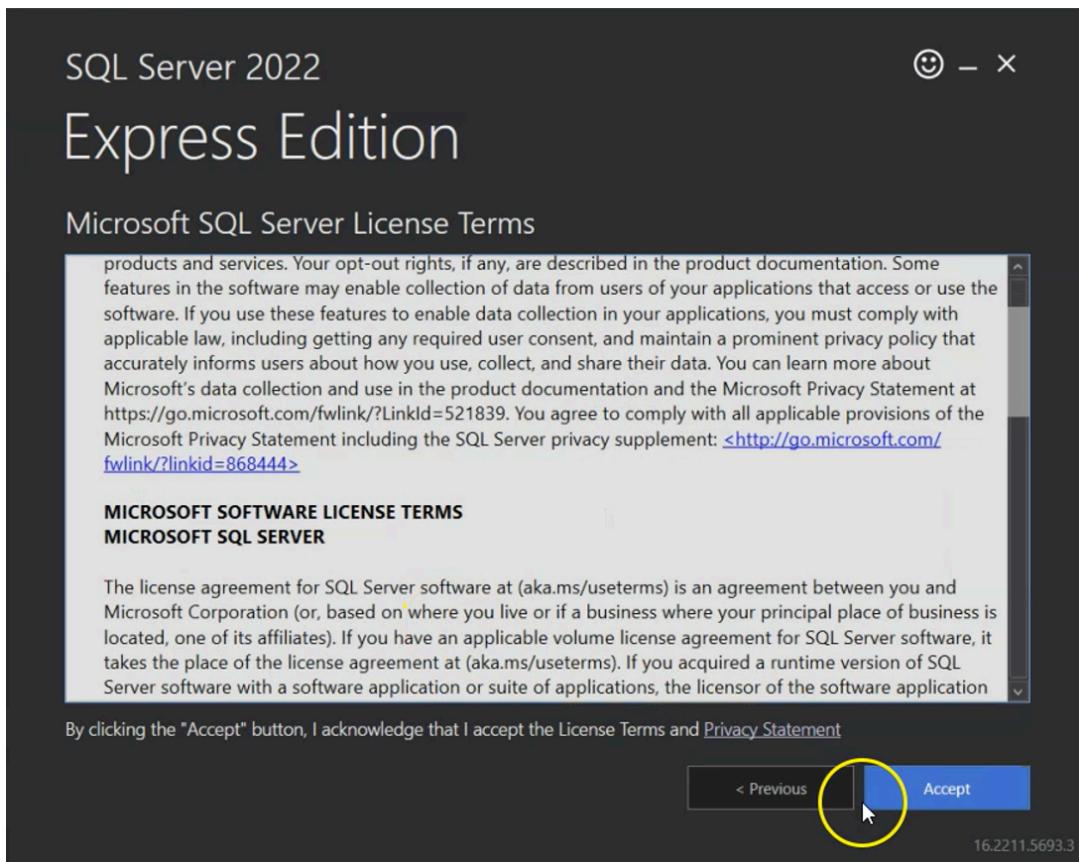
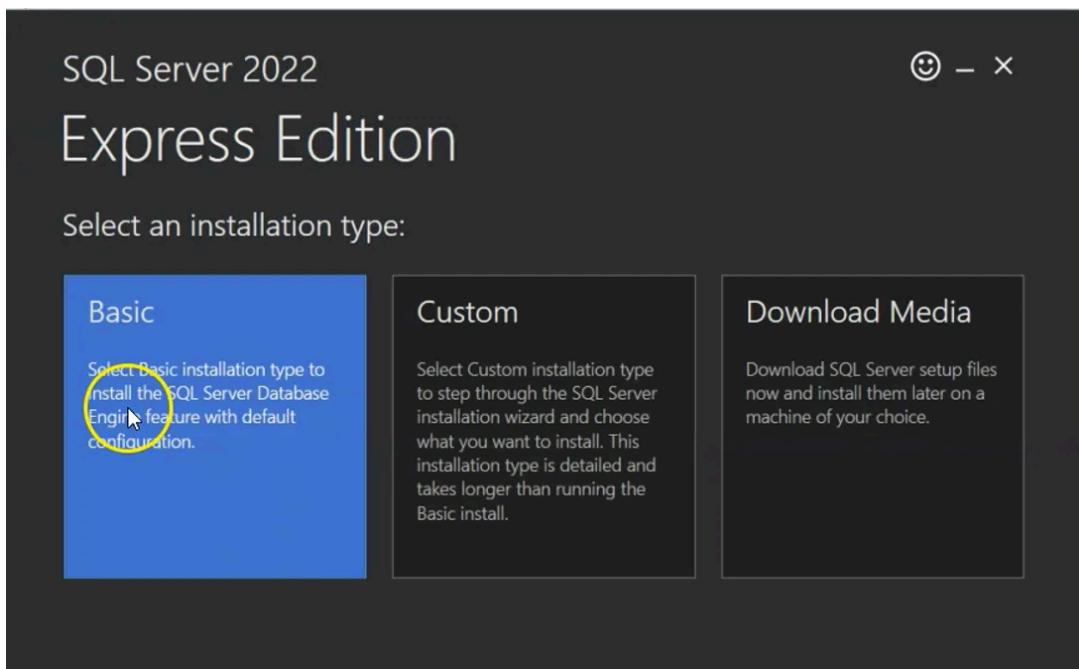
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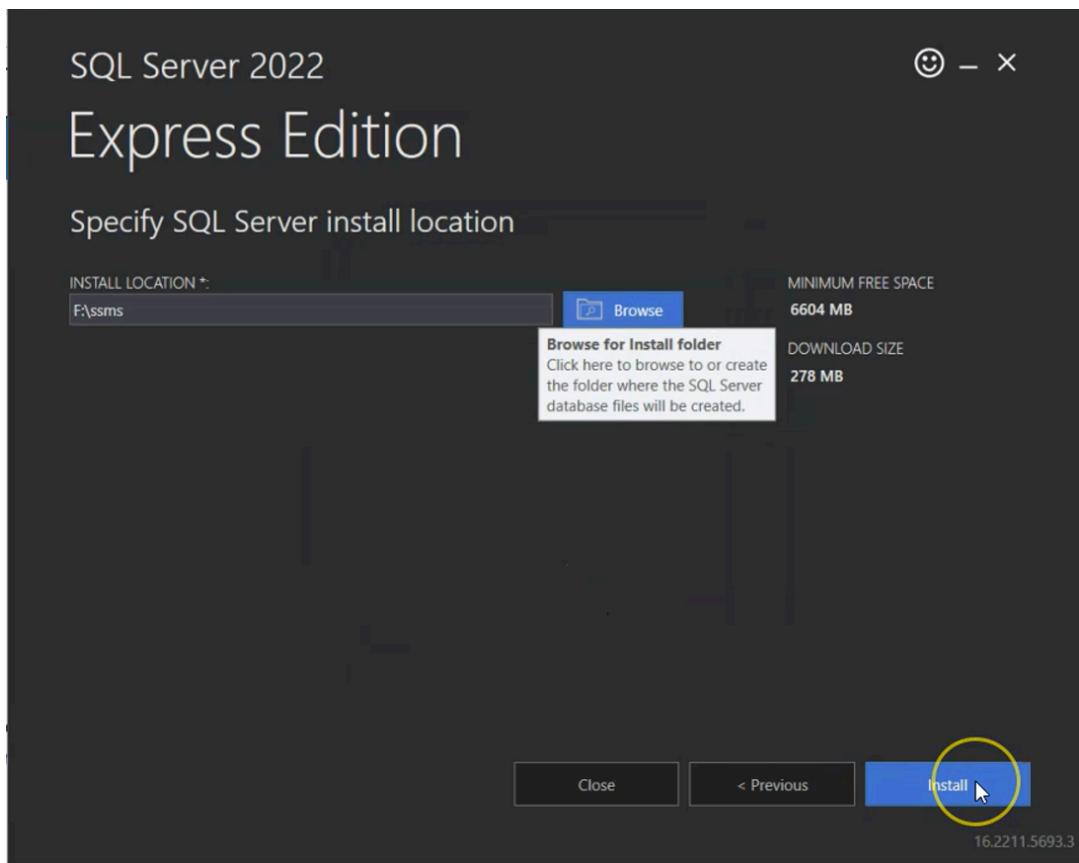
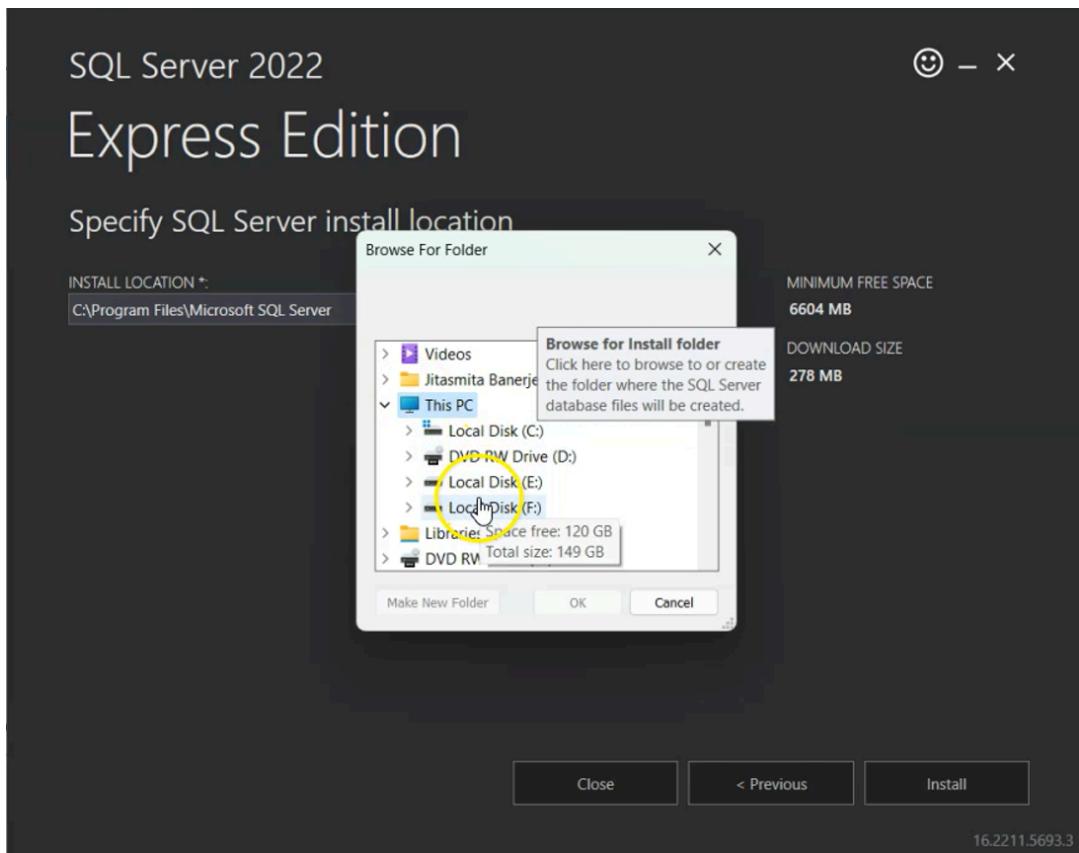
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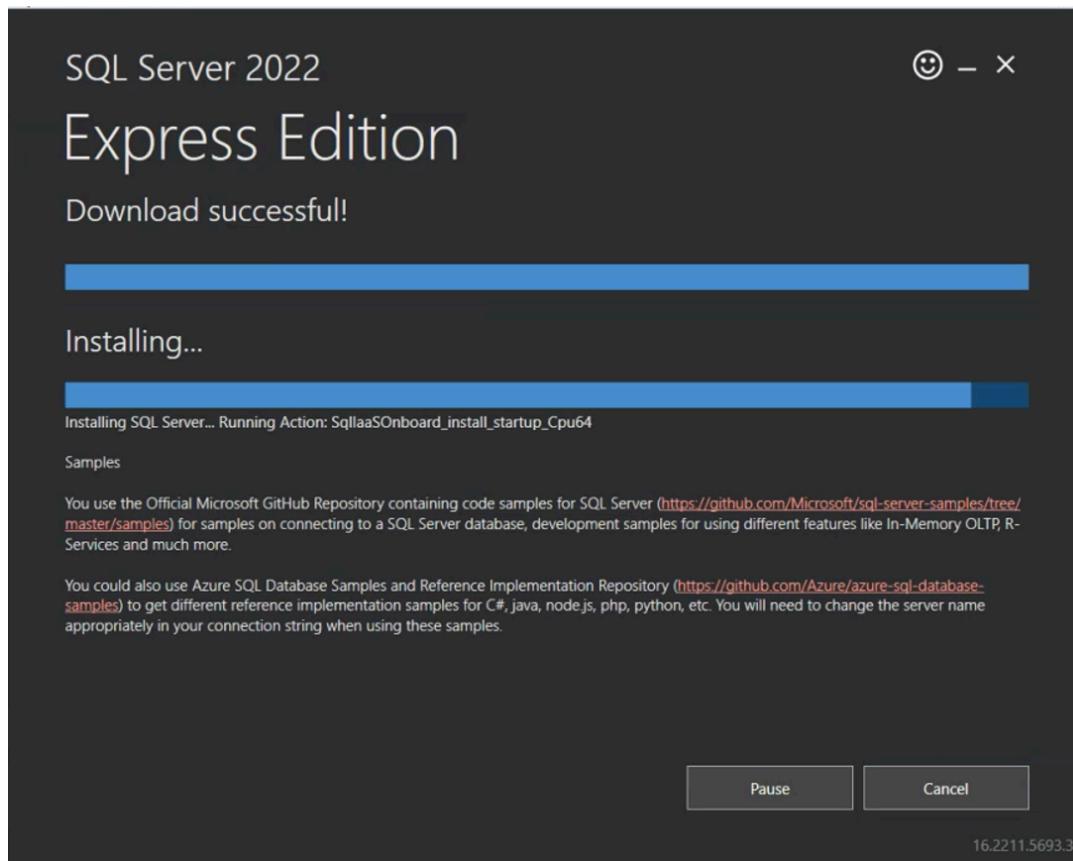
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⚙️ Step 2: Install SQL Server

1. Run the downloaded setup file.
2. Choose **Basic Installation**.
3. Click **Accept** to agree to license terms.
4. Choose a location to install the files.
5. Click **Install** to begin.
6. Wait for the process to complete.
7. On success, you'll see:
 - ✓ "Installation has completed successfully" message.

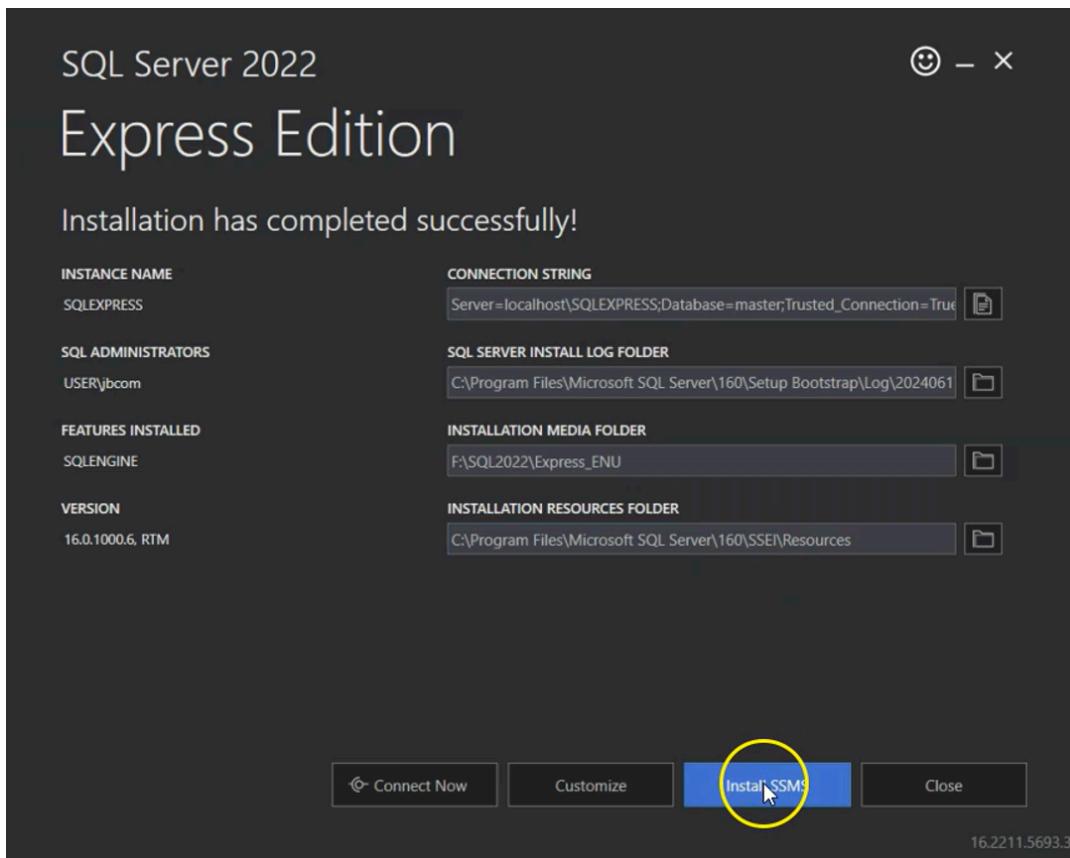






Step 3: Install SSMS (SQL Server Management Studio)

1. After SQL Server installs, click **Install SSMS** or visit:
<https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/sql/ssms/download-sql-server-management-studio-ssms>
2. Download the SSMS setup file.
3. Run the file and select an installation location.
4. Click **Install** and wait for it to finish.



Version: SQL Server 2022

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[Download SQL Server Management Studio \(SSMS\) 20.1](#)

SSMS 20.1 is the latest generally available (GA) version. If you have a preview version of SSMS 20 installed, uninstall it before installing SSMS 20.1. Installing SSMS 20.1 doesn't upgrade or replace SSMS 19.x and earlier versions.

- Release number: 20.1

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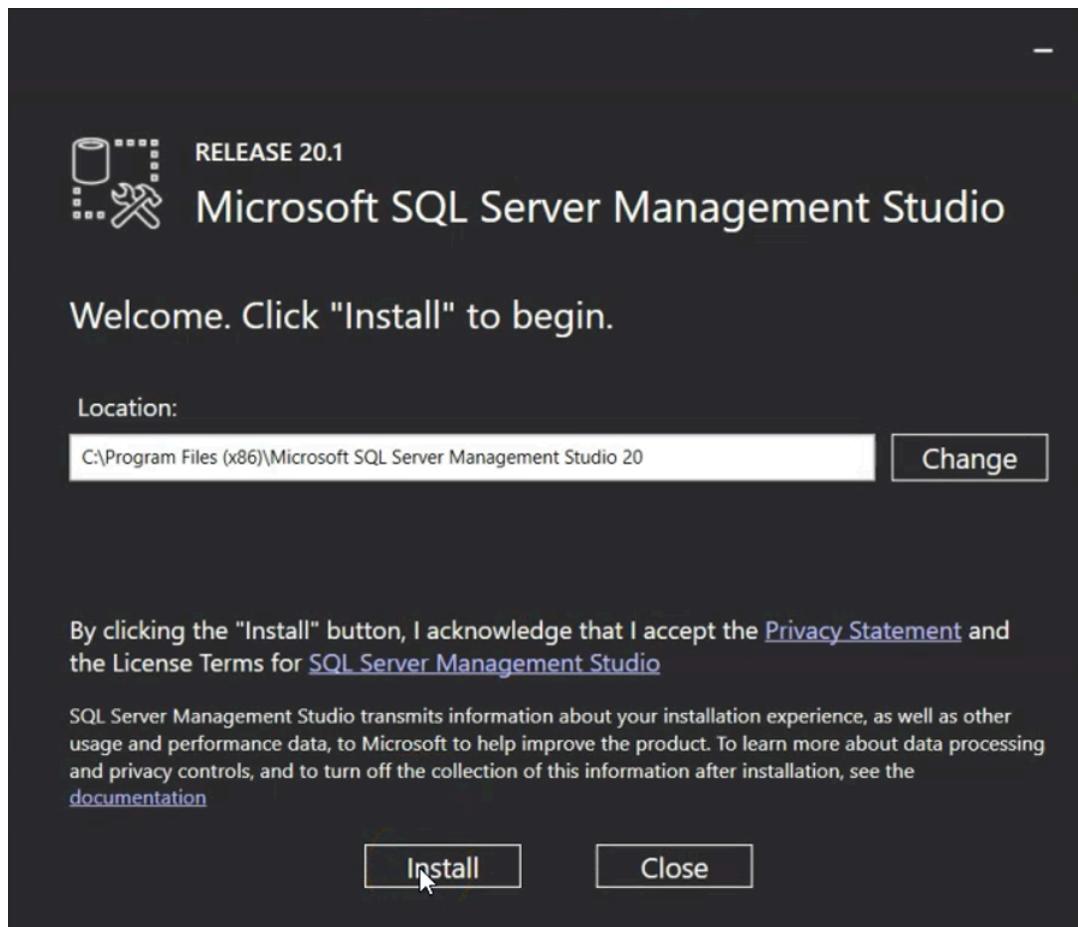
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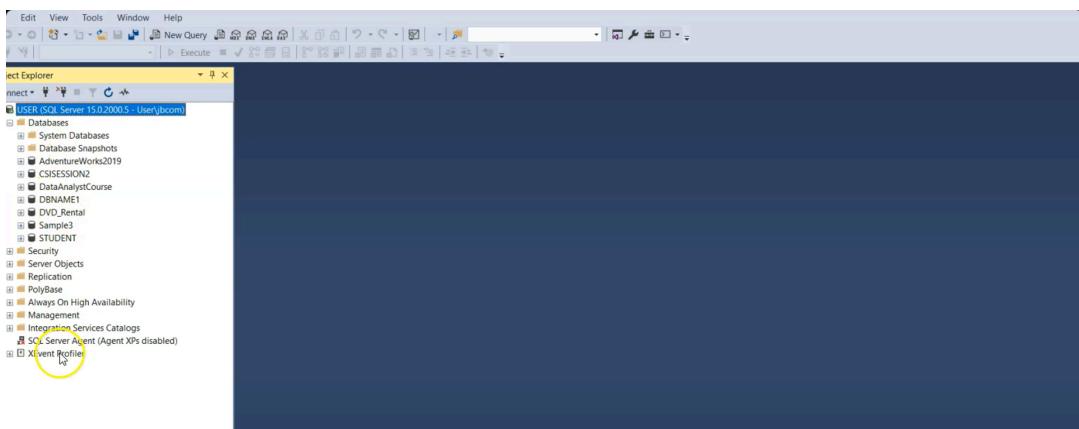
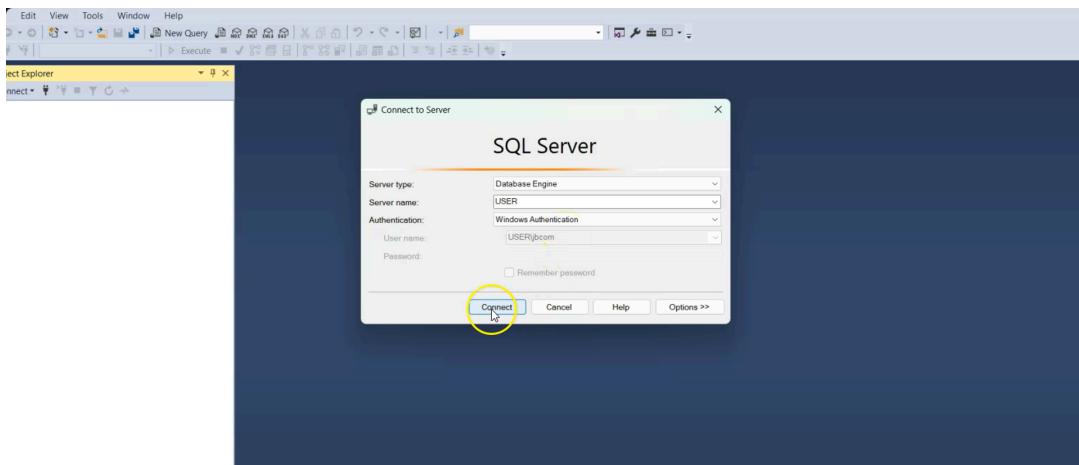
Learn details about SQL Server Management Studio (SSMS) and what SSMS can do, including how to manage Analysis Services Solutions.



🚀 Step 4: Launch SSMS and Connect

1. Open **Start Menu** → Search "**SSMS**".
2. Launch **SQL Server Management Studio**.
3. In the **Connect to Server** window:
 - Server type: **Database Engine**
 - Authentication: **Windows Authentication**
4. Click **Connect**.

You're now ready to write and run SQL queries!



Tip:
Pin **SSMS** to your taskbar for quick access.