Installing VS Code on macOS Without Admin Rights

What You'll Need:

- A Mac computer

- Internet access

- No administrator password needed

Step 1: Download the ZIP Version of VS Code

1. Go to https://code.visualstudio.com/Download

2. Under macOS, click on 'macOS - Universal (.zip)'

3. Save the .zip file to your Downloads folder.

Step 2: Extract VS Code

1. Open Finder and go to Downloads.

2. Double-click the .zip file to extract it.

3. Move the 'Visual Studio Code' folder to a location you can write to, like:

   ~/Applications/

   or ~/Documents/Programs/

Step 3: Launch VS Code

1. Open the extracted folder.

2. Double-click 'Visual Studio Code.app'.

Note: If macOS blocks it, go to System Settings > Privacy & Security, and click 'Open Anyway'.

Step 4: Add a Dock or Desktop Shortcut (Optional)

- Right-click the icon in the Dock > Options > Keep in Dock

- Or drag the app to your Desktop for quick access

Done!

VS Code is now installed and running on your Mac without admin rights.

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Optional: Install Extensions (Like Python)

1. Click the Extensions icon or press Cmd+Shift+X.

2. Search and install:

   - Python

   - Code Runner

   - Jupyter

No admin password is required.