Connect to Horizon using the Native Client

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This article applies to the following environments:

High Security (Black Environment)	Yes
Standard Security (Gold Environment)	Yes

If this is your **first time** connecting to Horizon on this computer, please select the appropriate link below for additional setup information.

- Setup Horizon native client on a VCU-managed Windows computer
- Setup Horizon native client on a VCU-managed Mac computer
- Setup Horizon native client on a VCU Health-managed Windows computer
- Setup Horizon native client on a personal device

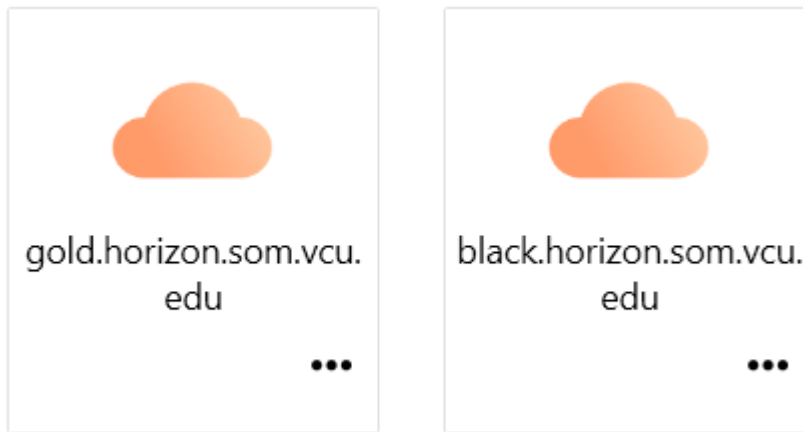If this is **not** your first time connecting to Horizon:

Please ensure the following clients are installed and running/enabled:

High Security (Black Environment)	Zscaler Client
Standard Security (Gold Environment)	Zscaler Client OR Cisco AnyConnect VPN

Then:

- Double-click the Horizon Client icon on your desktop to open the Native Client
- Double-click the environment to which you are assigned

gold.horizon.som.vcu.edu

black.horizon.som.vcu.edu

- Enter your credentials (use your *eID@vcu.edu* email and **password**) (or select your **vcu.edu** account) to sign in
- Accept the VCU Computer and Network Policy to continue
- Double-click the icon to open your assigned environment

What's next? Map a network drive to access your data