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Due to the change to Apple Silicon Chips, any machines running an M1 or M2 Processor are not able to run the Virtual Machine that IS&T provides.

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Overview

SolidWorks is a solid modeling CAD (computer-aided design) software that runs on Microsoft Windows. SolidWorks is available to MIT faculty, staff, and students for academic and research purposes at no cost. Also included are the SolidWorks add-ons:

- SolidWorks Premium
- Simulation Premium
- Flow Simulation
- Plastics Simulation
- Electrical Professional
- SolidWorks Composer

IS&T has worked with numerous stakeholders in the MIT Community on the details of this agreement and are offering it without charge as part of our ongoing effort to eliminate chargebacks and to enhance our services for the MIT community.

How to Obtain

To download SolidWorks, visit the [IS&T SolidWorks page](#).

To download Virtual Machines with Windows and Solidworks installed, visit the [IS&T SolidWorks Virtual Machine Page](#) page.

How to Use

- [SOLIDWORKS 2018 for Faculty and Staff - Installation Instructions](#)
- [SOLIDWORKS 2019 and later, for Faculty and Staff - Installation Instructions](#)
- [How do I install student SOLIDWORKS?](#)

Troubleshooting and FAQ's

- [How do I access the SolidWorks Customer Portal](#)
- [How do I remove watermarks from SolidWorks files?](#)
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- [Why is the SolidWorks Installation Manager blank when I run setup.exe?](#)
- [How can I run Windows on Apple Computer with M1 or M2 \(Apple Silicon\) processor?](#)

See Also

- [SolidWorks web site](#)
- [Windows 10: Virtual Machine with SolidWorks for Educational Use](#)

Have Questions or Still Need Help?

- [Contact the IS&T Service Desk](#)



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