

# How to install ArcMap Desktop on your personal computer

**Note:** ArcMap 10.8.2 is the current release of ArcGIS Desktop and will enter Mature Support in March 2024. Esri has no plans to release ArcGIS Desktop 10.9 and it is recommended to migrate to ArcGIS Pro. More information on ArcMap's retirement can be found [here](#).

## A. Before you start

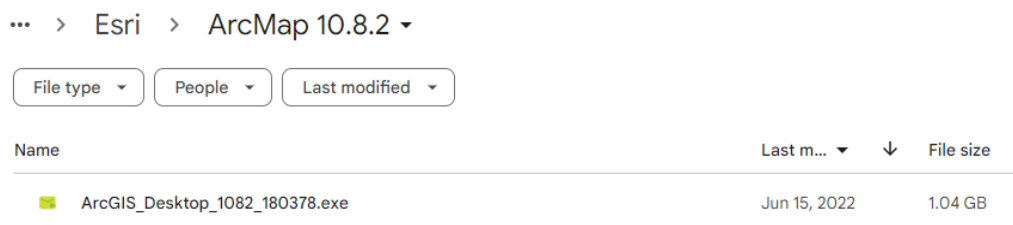
1. Review the system requirements for ArcGIS Desktop [here](#).
2. Please uninstall ArcGIS for Desktop 10.0 or earlier versions, if already installed, before proceeding.
3. The system requirements list [Microsoft Visual C++ 2015-2019](#) (download if not already installed)

## B. Requesting a single-use license for Desktop

1. Fill out the [Esri Software Request](#) from a UCSB email address and the Collaboratory will respond in a timely manner.
2. The ArcMap licenses will expire **June 30, 2024**.

## C. Download the ArcGIS software

1. As of Summer 2023, the current versions we are distributing is ArcGIS Desktop 10.8.2
2. You will receive installers in the form of Google Drive links from the DREAM Lab via email.



Click on "ArcGIS\_Desktop\_1082", and click "Download" to download the executable file.

3. Single Use license files will be sent via email from "MyESRI".
4. Please check your spam folders for the license files and installers.

## D. Using your Single Use ArcMap License

1. Save the attached license file to your machine.
2. Launch the software authorization wizard from the ArcGIS Administrator (ArcGIS Desktop and Engine), the License Server Administrator (License Manager), or the respective post installer for server products.
3. Select the option "I have received an authorization file from Esri and am now ready to finish the authorization process."
4. Browse to the license file you saved
5. Click "Next"
6. Select "Authorize with Esri now over the internet". If your machine does not have an internet connection, select the "Authorize at Esri's website or by email to receive your authorization file"
7. Click "Next"
8. Review the pre-populated personal information and enter any additional required information. On the next panels, you will see the authorization numbers entered for the core product and any extensions if applicable.
9. Click "Finish" to complete the authorization process.

## Need more help?

- Stop by the DREAM Lab during regular business hours, or contact us at [dreamlab@library.ucsb.edu](mailto:dreamlab@library.ucsb.edu), or phone (805) 893-8946.
- Check out free tutorials and web courses offered by Esri <https://www.esri.com/training/>
- Sign up for the campus Geospatial ListServ: <https://www.library.ucsb.edu/irc/campus-gis-listserv>