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**Connecting to the BU Campus Network from Off-Campus Locations**

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Current Boston University Medical Center (BUMC) and Boston Medical Center (BMC) faculty, staff, and students can connect to the Boston University network from home or other off-campus locations in order to access licensed or restricted resources. These resources include electronic journals, textbooks, electronic indexes, and other web-based tools.

Faculty, staff, and students have several options for accessing networked resources remotely. You can access BU's resources using the connection software provided on the **BU Internet CD**; users with Internet Service Providers (ISP) other than BU can connect with the Virtual Private Networking (**VPN**) Client or the **Medical Campus Proxy Server**.

### **BU Internet CD**

The Boston University Internet CD is used to configure your home or office computer for access to the Internet with BU acting as your Internet Service Provider (ISP). The CD provides 56K Internet access and requires a (617) area code call. It runs both on Macs and PCs.

The Boston University Internet CD is available to current students, faculty, and staff who have a valid ACS account (BU e-mail account). Residents and other BMC employees are not eligible to use the BU Internet CD. The CD can be purchased for \$5 at the Alumni Medical Library LRC Computing Lab. Be sure to bring your valid BU identification card when you come to purchase the CD.

For more information on the BU Internet CD, visit: <http://www.bu.edu/pcsc/modem/>

### **Virtual Private Networking (VPN) Client**

Current faculty, staff, and students of the Boston University schools of Medicine, Dental Medicine, and Public Health who are using an Internet Service Provider (ISP) other than BU can use the Cisco VPN Client to connect to licensed resources on the BU campus network. VPN is recommended for high-speed Internet connections such as DSL, cable modems, or others. It runs on both Macs and PCs.

To use the VPN Client, users must have a BU login name and Kerberos password. Users can download and set up the VPN Client on their desktops, then run the program whenever using licensed resources on the Web.

For more information about the VPN Client or to download it to your desktop, go to:  
<http://www.bu.edu/pcsc/vpn>

### **Medical Campus Proxy Server**

Current faculty, staff, and students of the Boston University schools of Medicine, Dental Medicine, and Public Health, and employees of Boston Medical Center are eligible to use the Medical Campus Proxy Server. The proxy server allows off-campus users with an ISP other than BU to access resources that are licensed for the Medical campus. The proxy server is generally not recommended for high-speed Internet connections. It runs on both Macs and PCs, and requires a BU login name and Kerberos password.

Instructions for configuring your web browser to use the proxy server are at:  
<http://www.bu.edu/proxy/configure.html>

## Wireless Access to the BU Campus Network

Wireless Internet connections are available in the Alumni Medical Library and throughout the campus. Wireless connections require use of the VPN Client, authenticating using your BU login name and Kerberos password.

The first time you attempt to login, you will be prompted to download and install the VPN Client. Thereafter, start the VPN Client each time you wish to connect to the BU network. If you have created a shortcut icon on your desktop, click the icon to start the Client and follow the login prompts. If you have not created a shortcut to your desktop, look under the *start* menu programs to run the VPN Client.

## Boston Medical Center (BMC) Residents

Boston Medical Center Residents may access licensed resources using the Medical Campus Proxy Server. Use of the proxy server requires a BU login name and Kerberos password. Please contact Ron Tate (617-638-4576 or [rtate@bu.edu](mailto:rtate@bu.edu)) or Jennifer Borucki (617-638-6696 or [jborucki@bu.edu](mailto:jborucki@bu.edu)) for more details.