

Windows Updates & Microsoft Updates

It is imperative that your computer be running Windows XP Professional, Service Pack 3, OR Vista Business OR Vista Ultimate of Windows 7 Professional for use on the UT campus. The University of Tennessee has no firewalls and is an entirely open campus. You will be susceptible to spyware, adaware and other malicious attacks. We strongly recommend that your computer have the latest patches and updates in order to be protected while in RP sessions.

This will walk you through the process of bringing your computer up-to-date with the latest patches from Microsoft. The initial Microsoft Update portion will only happen once. If you already have been updated to Microsoft Updates or do not see the same screen as in Step 2, please skip to Step 10.

You should check for any Windows and Microsoft Updates before each RP session. This will further protect your computer from attack during the residence period.

Step 1:

Open Internet Explorer, go to Tools, Windows Updates.

Step 2:

If you do not see the following screen, skip to Step 10.
Click 'Start Now.'

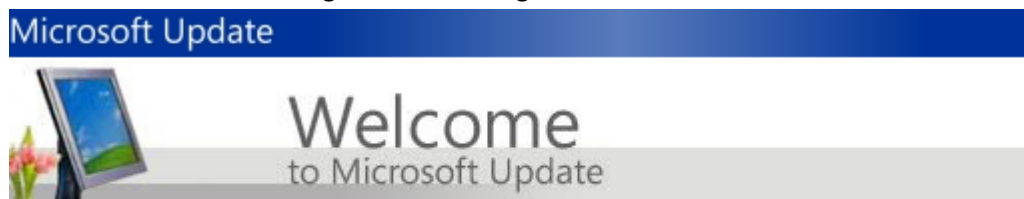
Try Microsoft Update today

Now you can get updates for Windows, Office and other Microsoft applications all in one place. Microsoft Update is a new service that brings you all the features and benefits of Windows Update plus downloads for other Microsoft applications including Office.

Start Now

Step 3:

Read through the License Agreement and click



Review the license agreement

When you use this website, original Microsoft product license agreements may apply to the updates you choose to install. This is because some license agreements for Microsoft products indicate that they also apply to updates for those products.


In addition, you may have elected, for example, during product installation to accept future updates for a product without reviewing another copy of the applicable licensing agreement.

continue.

Continue

Step 4:

You might see the following bar across the top of your browser. If you do click it to install the ActiveX controls.

 This site might require the following ActiveX control: 'Microsoft Update' from 'Microsoft Corporation'. Click here to install...

Step 5:

Click Install.



Step 6:

Click on "Check for Updates".

Microsoft Update setup is complete

You can check the website for updates at any time by clicking **Microsoft Update** in your Start menu.



Automatic Updates: **ON**

You automatically get high-priority updates whenever they become available. You don't need to remember to visit the website!

[Check for Updates](#)

Step 7:

Click

Custom.

Keep your computer up to date

Check to see if you need updates for Windows, your programs, your hardware or your devices.

[Express](#)

Get high-priority updates (**recommended**)

[Custom](#)

Select from optional and high-priority updates for Windows and other programs

Concerned about privacy? When you check for updates, basic information about your computer, not you, is used to determine which updates your programs need. To learn more, see our [privacy statement](#).

Step 8:

The website will scan your system and see what updates you

Checking for the latest updates for your computer...

need. 

You might see the following window. This part will update required components of the download process. Click “Download and Install Now.”

Software Upgrade for Some Windows Components Required

To use Microsoft Update, you must first install the latest version of some Windows components. This will allow your computer to work with these new features on the site:

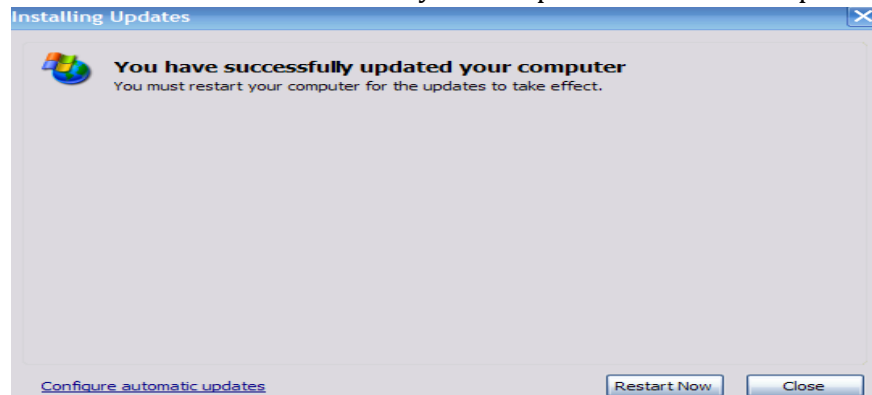
- **More updates:** Get updates for Windows and for popular Microsoft programs such as Microsoft Office in one place.
- **Faster updates:** The latest Windows Installer (MSI) improves the way updates are installed, delivering updates in the smallest possible packages in the shortest amount of time.
- **Easier navigation:** Now you can find updates by priority or by product while helpful links and important messages help ensure you are installing all high-priority updates for your computer.

[Details](#)

[Download and Install Now](#)

Step 9:

Click on “Restart Now” to reboot your computer with the new updates.



Step 10:

After your reboot, go back to the Windows Updates site (Open Internet Explorer, go to Tools, and select Windows Updates). Select “Custom.”

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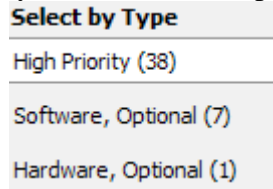
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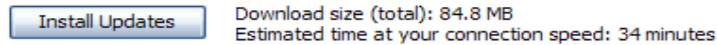
Select from optional and high-priority updates for Windows and other programs

You will see a variety of updates. You will want all of the ‘High Priority’ updates. The ‘Software, Optional’ updates are not required, but they will provide newer features for Microsoft software. The ‘Hardware, Optional’ will provide updates to your existing hardware. These can be useful in speeding up the responsiveness of your computer and fixing any glitches you might

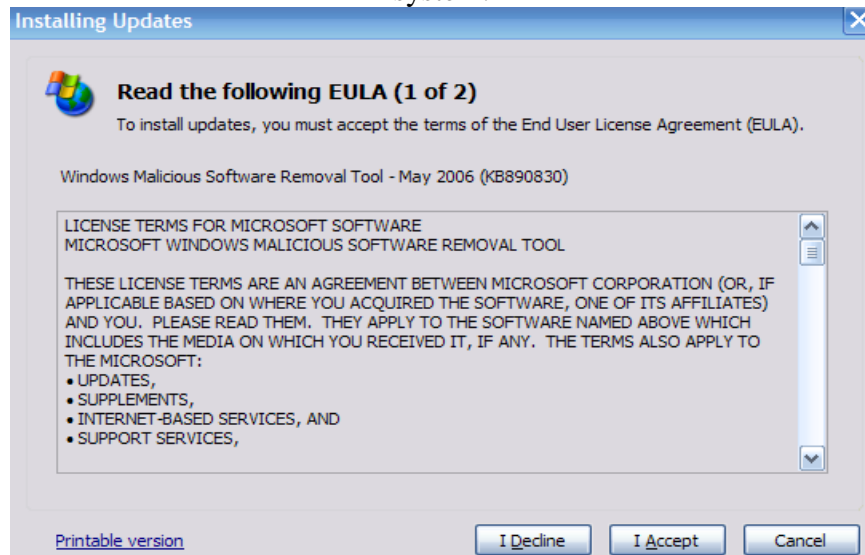
be experiencing. (NOTE: Some of these updates may require that they be done separately from the others, so you may have to run the updates multiple times.)



When you have completed selecting the updates that you want, click on the 'Install updates' button on the top of the section.



There are some updates that have EULA's (End User License Agreements), it is our recommendation that you read through the EULA for every software package you put on your system.



The updates will install automatically and may require a restart at the end. Please run Microsoft Updates until you are told that there are no more updates to be done (this may take several times of going through this process to accomplish).