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# GETTING STARTED ON EDDIE

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Eddie is the University of Edinburgh's research computing cluster. The service is available to all academic staff and research students.

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## Unix shell

Eddie is accessed via a Unix/Linux command line interface. If you are unfamiliar with this, these are a couple of in-depth tutorials:

<http://swcarpentry.github.io/shell-novice/>

<https://edin.ac/318pmmw>

## Windows users

Windows does not have a native Unix terminal, so you will need to install one on your machine. We recommend using MobaXterm:

<https://mobaxterm.mobatek.net/>

A video demonstrating how to log in using MobaXterm is available here:

<https://edin.ac/47zaxK5>

## VPN

Eddie can only be accessed from within the University network. If you are working from home, you first need to connect to the UoE network via the VPN:

<https://www.ed.ac.uk/information-services/computing/desktop-personal/vpn>

## Logging on

Your account will be created automatically when you first log in. From a terminal window, run the following command:

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ssh <YOUR UUN>@eddie.ecdf.ed.ac.uk
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You will be prompted for a password. This will be the same as your EASE password.

## Research Services wiki

The Research Services wiki has a section on Eddie. This is the main source of information about Eddie, including any recent updates and announcements.

<https://www.wiki.ed.ac.uk/display/ResearchServices/Eddie>

Within this you can find information on the software available on Eddie, how to submit jobs, how to transfer data to and from the system, and a quickstart guide. The rest of the wiki is also worth a browse as it contains information on other Research Services for data storage and version control.

<https://www.wiki.ed.ac.uk/display/ResearchServices/>

## Introduction to Eddie course

The 'Introduction to Eddie' course is in the process of being moved to a fully online format; in the meantime, course materials from the face-to-face sessions are available in the wiki.

- Main course page:

<https://www.wiki.ed.ac.uk/display/ResearchServices/Introduction+to+Eddie>

- Presentation Slides: <https://edin.ac/3cJAEQ8>
- Exercises: <http://edin.ac/2NhHIZ4>

## Getting help

If you run into any issues, support for Eddie is available over the IS helpline.

<https://www.wiki.ed.ac.uk/display/ResearchServices/Support>

The Research Services Team also run regular live drop-in sessions where users can get help for any issues they encounter relevant to digital research, including Eddie.

<https://www.wiki.ed.ac.uk/pages/viewpage.action?spaceKey=ResearchServices&title=Drop-in+Clinics>

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