

SPSS Statistics Commuter License

Accessing SPSS Statistics Without an Internet Connection

Overview

An SPSS Statistics commuter license is available for laptop computer users (available for Windows laptops running version 14 or higher and Mac laptops running version 17) who need to run the SPSS Statistics program when no Internet connection is available. This option allows you to "check out" a license **while the computer is connected to the Internet**, then disconnect from the Internet and use the software (for up to 21 days) without a network connection. Without the commuter license, computers must be connected to the Internet at all times in order to use SPSS Statistics under the College's "network license". A commuter license is ideal for laptop users who occasionally need to use SPSS Statistics away from a network connection. No additional software needs to be installed and there is no extra charge; the commuter license option is included with a current yearly subscription to SPSS Statistics through ITS. Note that SPSS was briefly named "PASW Statistics" and may appear under that name on older installations.

Checking Out a Commuter License

Follow these steps to check out a commuter license:

1. The laptop must have a **currently** licensed version of SPSS Statistics (version 14 or higher) purchased through ITS
2. The laptop must **initially** have an Internet connection (either wired or wireless, on campus or off) to check out a license
 - a. **Windows:** Go to **Start** → **All Programs** → **SPSS for Windows** → **SPSS Commuter License**
 - b. **Mac:** Go to **Applications** → **SPSSInc** → **Statistics17** → **SPSS Statistics 17.0 Commute License Utility**
3. In the window that opens click once on **your version of SPSS Statistics** to highlight it
4. In the **Duration (days):** field at the bottom of the window enter the number of days (up to 21) that you would like to use the commuter license
5. Click the **Check Out** button
6. Click **Exit**

You can now disconnect from the Internet and use SPSS Statistics without an Internet connection for the number of days specified during check out. **IMPORTANT:** When opening SPSS Statistics, always launch the SPSS Statistics program and NOT the commuter ("commute" on a Mac) license option, which is **only** used for checking a license out or in.

Tips

- If your commuter license expires (based on the number of days you specified during check out) you can connect to the Internet again to check out another commuter license.
- Remember to **check in** your license (using the "Check In" button following the same steps as shown above) if you use it for less time than specified during check out. This makes the license available to other users who may need it.
- Commuter licenses are available on a "first come, first served" basis. The check out screen will indicate how many, if any, licenses are available for check out.

For More Information

Frontline computing support is available through the ITS Helpdesk in 104 Job Hall; send e-mail to helpdesk@ithaca.edu or call 607-274-1000.

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