GitHub Desktop Installation Guide (Windows)

Installing GitHub Desktop

1. Go to the GitHub Desktop website. Here is the link: https://desktop.github.com/
2. Click on the "**Download for Windows**" button to download the GitHub Desktop installer for Windows.
3. Once the download is complete, locate the GitHub Desktop installer file (.exe) and double-click on it to run the installer.
4. If prompted by the User Account Control (UAC) window, click "**Yes**" to allow the installation process to continue.
5. On the GitHub Desktop setup window, click "**Next**" to proceed with the installation.
6. Read and accept the license terms, then click "**Next**".
7. Choose the desired installation location for GitHub Desktop or leave the default location unchanged, then click "**Next**".
8. Choose the additional tasks you want to perform during the installation, such as creating a desktop shortcut and associating with ".git" files, then click "**Next**".
9. Choose whether to enable automatic updates for GitHub Desktop, then click "**Next**".
10. Choose whether to allow GitHub Desktop to collect usage data, then click "**Next**".
11. Click "**Install**" to start the installation process.
12. Wait for the installation to complete. Once the installation is finished, click "**Finish**".
13. GitHub Desktop should now be installed on your Windows machine. You can launch it from the Start menu or desktop shortcut.
14. Upon launching GitHub Desktop, you may be prompted to sign in with your GitHub account or create a new one. Follow the prompts to complete the sign-in process.
15. Customize GitHub Desktop's settings based on your preferences, such as configuring your Git settings, repositories, and notification preferences.

Note:
If all steps have been followed, GitHub Desktop should run fine on your machine. If, however, troubleshooting and support is required, please contact that Data Science Helpdesk to resolve[1].

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GitHub Desktop Installation Guide (MacOS)

Installing GitHub Desktop

1. Go to the GitHub Desktop website. Here is the link: https://desktop.github.com/
2. Click on the "**Download for macOS**" button to download the GitHub Desktop installer for macOS.
3. Once the download is complete, locate the GitHub Desktop installer file (.dmg) in your Downloads folder or the specified download location and double-click on it to mount the disk image.
4. Drag and drop the GitHub Desktop application icon into the "**Applications**" folder to install it.
5. If prompted for confirmation, enter your macOS administrator password and click "**OK**" to authorize the installation.
6. Once the installation is complete, open the "Applications" folder and locate the GitHub Desktop application.
7. Double-click on the GitHub Desktop application icon to launch it.
8. Upon launching GitHub Desktop, you may be prompted to sign in with your GitHub account or create a new one. Follow the prompts to complete the sign-in process.
9. Customize GitHub Desktop's settings based on your preferences, such as configuring your Git settings, repositories, and notification preferences.

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