

Avoid the Data Loss Nightmare with CrashPlan

Imagine losing years of research in an instant: the data you collected, analyzed, and relied on are gone. Accidental deletion, hardware failure, fire, or a lost device can strike without warning, and it happens more often than you think. Protect your work before it's too late with CrashPlan, available for free to UCSB researchers, and don't let data loss come back to haunt you.



Sleep tight and with peace of mind with CrashPlan!

What is CrashPlan?

An automatic backup service that continuously protects your data by securely backing up files from your computer to the cloud. With your backups safely stored online, you can restore your files anytime, anywhere, ensuring your work is always secure, accessible, and recoverable.

Who is eligible?

The Office of Research, via General Research IT (GRIT), sponsors CrashPlan licensing, providing free access to all UCSB faculty, students, postdocs, and staff engaged in research through May 2029.

How to request an account?

Email help@rcd.ucsb.edu to get an account today!

Once you receive confirmation that your CrashPlan account has been configured, you can get it up and running in 5–10 minutes.

Included Features

- Continuous protection: runs quietly in the background without interrupting your work, and backs up your data automatically every 15 minutes.
- Rock-solid security: your files are protected with industry-standard encryption.
- Cross-platform: back up and restore across Windows, Mac, or Linux devices.
- Effortless recovery: easily restore your data from the cloud when you need it.
- Multiple devices: each license covers four devices, with 1–2TB of backup per device.



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