

## PT Tracker v5.3 – Installation on macOS

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1. If you have a previous version of PT Tracker, it is recommended that you delete it: In Finder, go to Applications; find PT Tracker; move it to trash. (Otherwise, you may end up with two versions of PT Tracker, which could be very confusing.)
2. Download the installation file PT-Tracker-v5-3-install.pkg by going to the Loco4Learning LLC website:  
  
<https://loco4learning.com/download/pt-tracker-v5-3-for-mac/>
3. In Downloads, double-click PT-Tracker-v5-3-install.pkg. OR, you can also right-click and select “Open”.
4. As with all installs, macOS will ask you to confirm the installation by typing in your password.
5. After it is installed, there are two equivalent ways to start PT Tracker:
  - a. EASIEST: In Launchpad, click on PT Tracker.
  - b. OR: In Finder, go to Applications; find and open the PT Tracker folder; double-click on PT Tracker.
6. MacOS may ask you: “PT Tracker” would like to access files in your Documents folder.”
  - a. Click OK.
7. If this is the first time you have run PT Tracker on your computer, read [Set Database Directory](#) below.

### Set Database Directory

By default, PT Tracker stores its database of student files in your Documents directory (macOS) or in the installation directory (Windows). That’s not usually a good place to store them, so, the first time you use PT Tracker:

1. Use Finder (macOS) or File Explorer (Windows) to create a new directory where you’d like to store the student files.
2. In PT Tracker, use the **Settings menu** to select *Change/save default database directory*, then select the directory you created. That directory will be stored in PT Tracker’s settings file so that PT Tracker will remember your selection the next time you start it.