Running VMware View Client VDI (Virtual Desktop Infrastructure)

A VDI is a virtual computer that you will be able to access and use as you would a regular computer with some minor differences. The VDI will auto delete itself when you log out, so don’t save any data on the virtual machine. Make sure all data is saved to your own computer or USB flash drive since any data on the virtual machine will be unrecoverable.

Open the program.

If you are on your own laptop, you will need to log in using your campus credentials. Leave box unchecked and click “Connect.”

Use your username and password to login.
A list of clients that you have access to will appear in the dialogue box. Choose the VDI that you need to use and click “Connect.”

Wait while you are being connected to the VDI.

A strip similar to this will appear at the top of your screen once you have been connected to the chosen VDI. You can choose to view the VDI at the full size of your own desktop, or as a smaller window.
When you are finished using the VDI, go to “Start” and “Log Off” to completely disconnect from the machine. If you only click the “X” in the corner of the window, it simply disconnects you from viewing that VDI without completely logging out.

If you open a VDI and the screen is black, it will come up momentarily and you can continue. If you need to finish logging off, go to “Options >Disconnect and Log Off” to completely disconnect.