

Facial Recognition is available as a multifactor authentication (MFA) security method for all Research.gov users.

Note: Facial Recognition/Face Scan security method is only available on the Windows operating system.

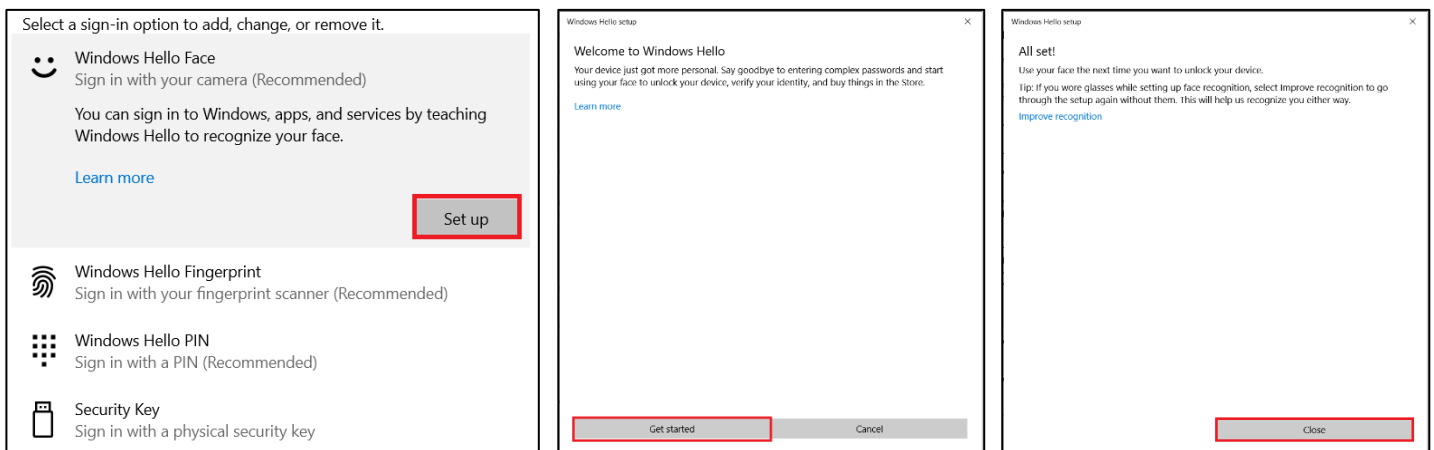
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Facial Recognition: Before You Begin for Windows

1. On your Windows system, navigate to **Accounts > Sign-In options**
2. Select **Windows Hello Face** and Click **Set up**.
3. Click **Get Started**.

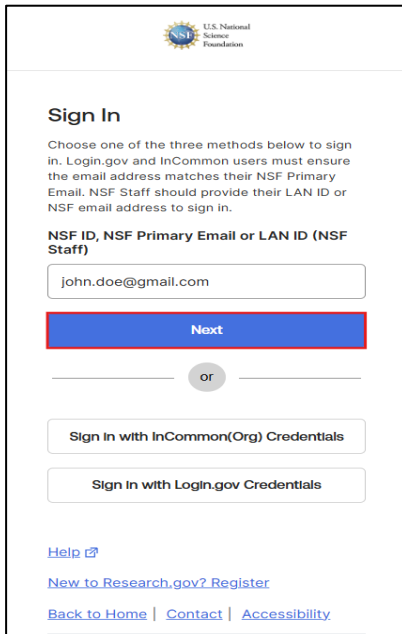
Note: Ensure the camera on your system is turned on.

4. Position your face in the center of the frame on the screen. The camera will capture your facial features. Once scanning is complete, you will see the screen shown below. Click **Close**.



Facial Recognition: Verify & Setup

1. **Open** a web browser and go to [Research.gov](https://www.research.gov)
2. On the Research.gov homepage, click the **“Sign In”** button located at the top-right corner of the screen
3. The system redirects you to the login page
4. Enter your **NSF ID** or **NSF Primary Email** and click **Next**.
5. Enter your password and then click **Verify**.



Sign In

Choose one of the three methods below to sign in. Login.gov and InCommon users must ensure the email address matches their NSF Primary Email. NSF Staff should provide their LAN ID or NSF email address to sign in.

NSF ID, NSF Primary Email or LAN ID (NSF Staff)

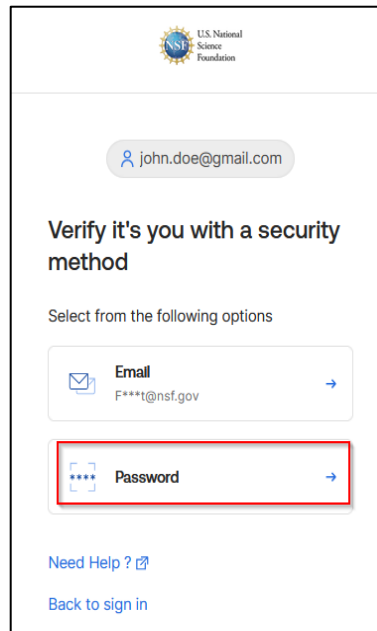
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or

Sign In with InCommon(Org) Credentials

Sign In with Login.gov Credentials

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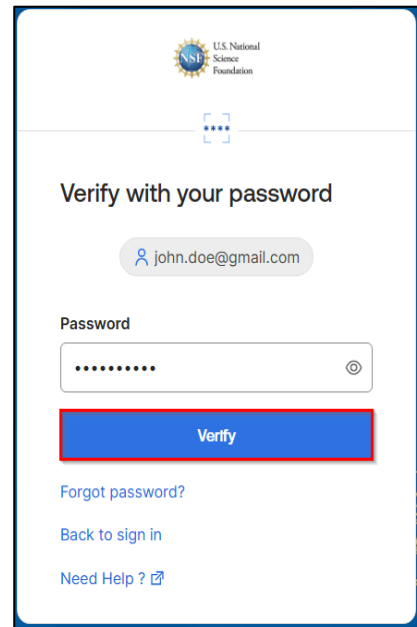
Verify it's you with a security method

Select from the following options

Email
F***t@nsf.gov

Password

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Verify with your password

Password

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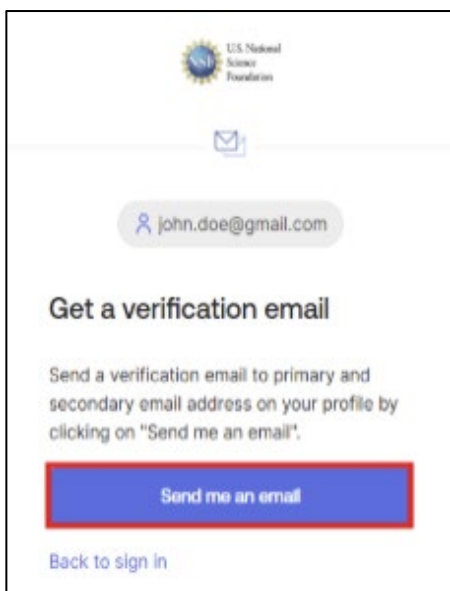
Please ensure you have access to your NSF account primary email address as you may be required to complete a validation step with a one-time passcode sent to this email.

If you are asked to verify your primary email address, please follow Steps 6-8. Otherwise, please go to Step 9.

Your email address is another form of verification used to ensure you are the account owner.

6. Click **Send me an email**.
7. Once you click on **Send me an email**, you will receive a **one-time verification code** email from nsfextloginnoreply@nsf.gov to your primary and secondary email address you used when you registered for an NSF account in Research.gov.

Note: If you prefer to use a code instead, you can click **Enter a verification code instead**. Enter the 6-digit code at the bottom of the Account password reset email then click **Verify**.

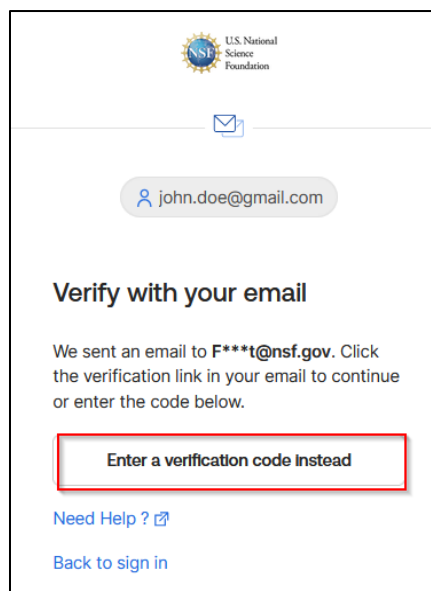


Get a verification email

Send a verification email to primary and secondary email address on your profile by clicking on "Send me an email".

Send me an email

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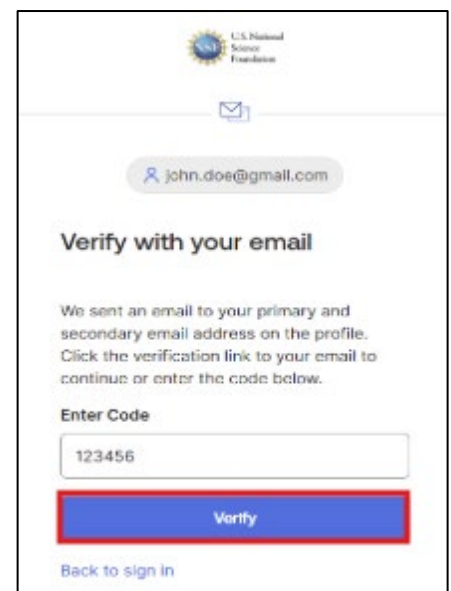


Verify with your email

We sent an email to F***t@nsf.gov. Click the verification link in your email to continue or enter the code below.

Enter a verification code instead

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Verify with your email

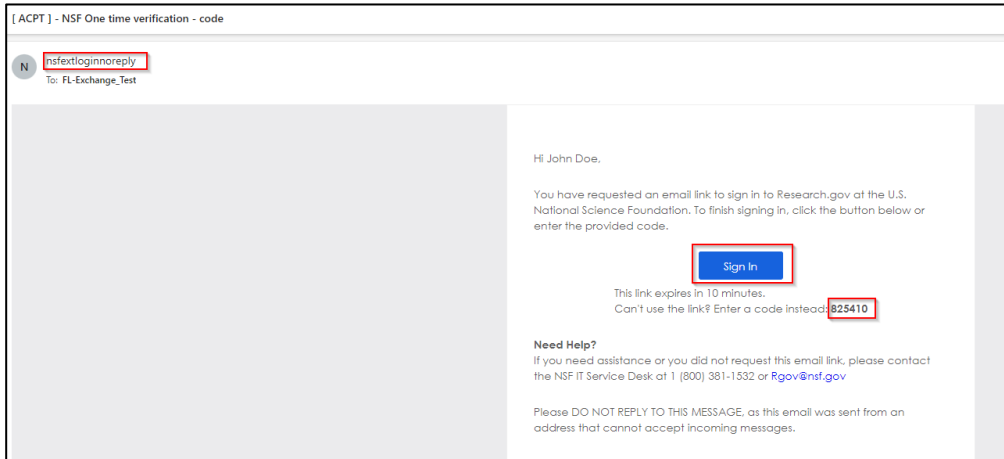
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Verify

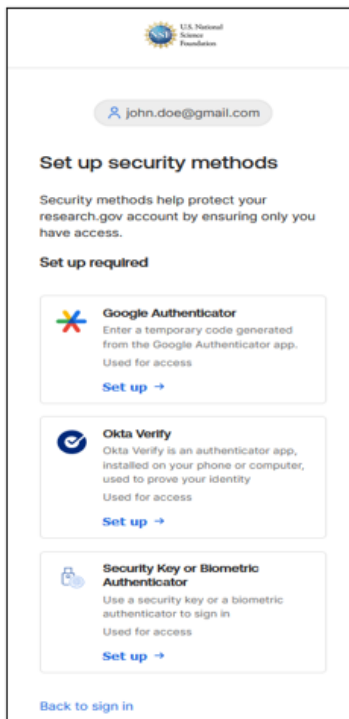
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- Click **Sign In** from the email. After you click **Sign In**, you will be required to set up an additional security method. (The available security methods that display depend on your role(s) in Research.gov.)

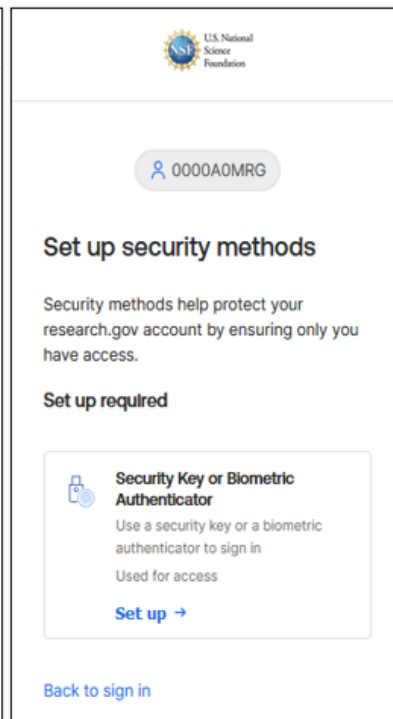


- The Set-up security methods menu appears.
- From the browser, click **Set up** under **Security Key or Biometric Authenticator** from the **Set up security methods** screen.
- Click **Set up**.

Standard Users



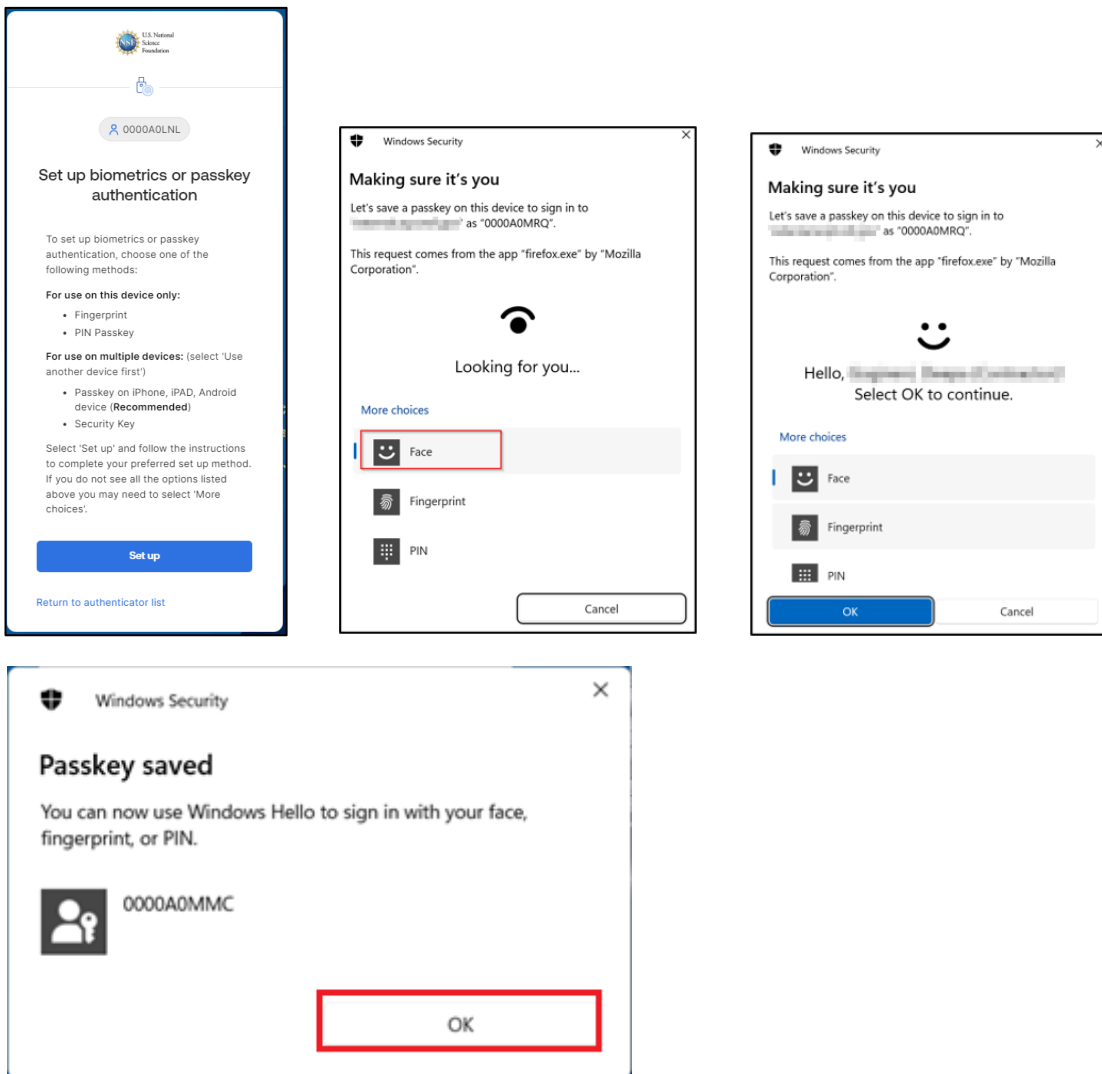
Administrative or Financial Users



12. Select **More choices**.
13. Select **Face**. Once your camera has detected your face, click **OK**.
14. Click OK.

Note: Depending on your role in Research.gov, you may be prompted to set up additional security methods. If you choose not to do so at this time, click **Continue**.

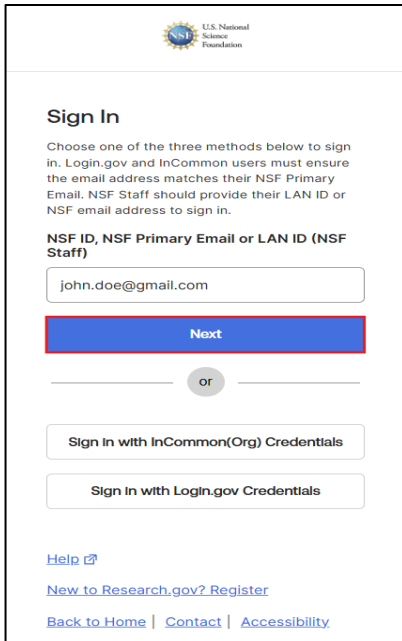
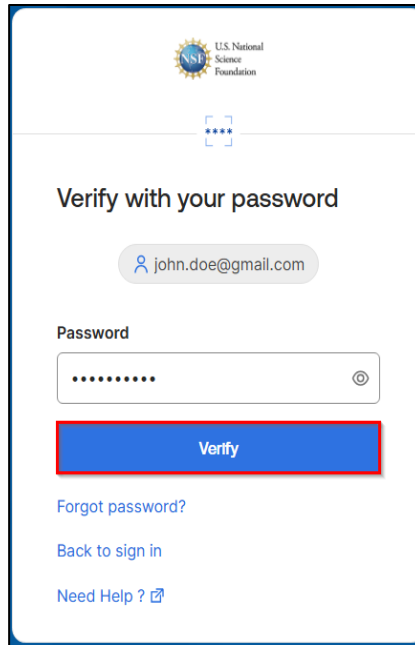
15. You will be authenticated and navigated to the application you are trying to access.



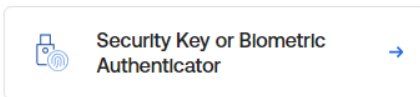
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6. Select **Security Key or Biometric Authenticator** to use the facial recognition option. If you do not see the Face option, select More choices.



7. Select **Face**.
8. Ensure your camera device is turned on.
9. Position your face in front of your camera device.
10. Once your camera has recognized your face, you will be prompted to click **OK**.
11. Once you click **OK**, you will be authenticated and navigated to the application you are trying to access.

