Stack Overflow Enterprise Documentation



Install the Visual Studio Code Integration

How to install and configure the Al-powered Visual Studio Code Integration.

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Applies to: Free Basic Business Enterprise

ADMIN PRIVILEGES REQUIRED

This documentation is for **Stack Overflow for Teams Enterprise**. Free, Basic, and Business users can access their documentation here. Find your plan.

Overview

The AI-powered Visual Studio Code (VSC) extension puts the vast coding knowledge of Stack Overflow at your fingertips, right in your IDE. With this VSC extension, you can search the public Stack Overflow site (www.stackoverflow.com), your own Stack Overflow for Teams Enterprise (SOE) site, or both.

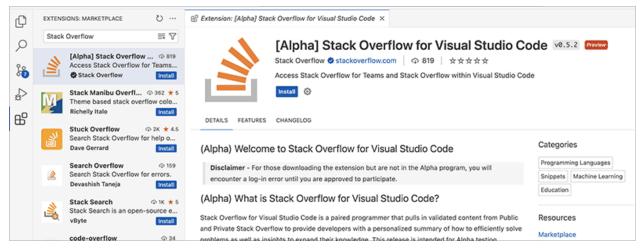
The extension can:

- Create detailed, cited responses from user-generated content with the Search feature (learn more).
- Explain, refactor, and analyze code with the Explain Code feature (learn more).
- Explain code errors and suggest fixes with the Explain Error feature (learn more).
- Turn your AI chat transcripts into new Stack Overflow for Teams articles with the Draft Article feature (learn more).

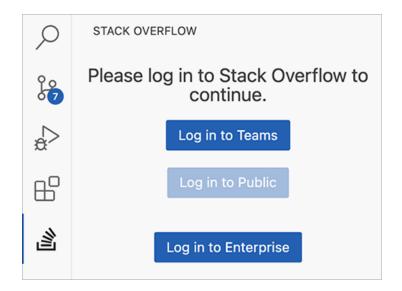
NOTE: To use the VS Code AI integration, your Stack Overflow site must have Unified Search enabled.

Download and install the extension

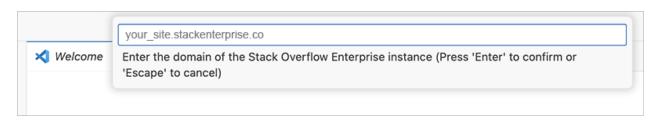
1. Locate the **Stack Overflow for Visual Studio Code Extension** in the VSC marketplace, and click **Install**. The extension will appear with the Stack Overflow logo in your VSC left sidebar.



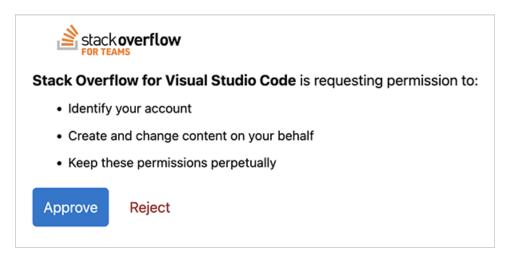
- 2. Click the Stack Overflow logo in the sidebar to access the extension.
- 3. Click Log in to Enterprise.



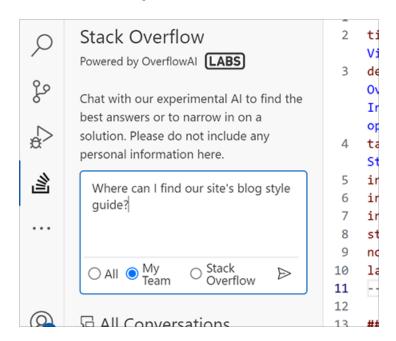
4. In the text box that appears, enter the URL of your SOE site. The extension will redirect you to a login page in your default web browser.



- 5. Enter your SOE credentials.
- 6. If prompted to approve the application, click **Approve**. This will complete the login process and redirect you back to VSC.



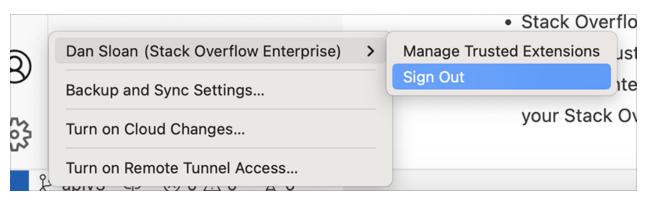
7. To verify that the VSC extension can connect to your SOE site, select **My Team** under the extension's chat box. Enter a question relevant to your SOE site into the chat box. If the search doesn't return an error message, you've successfully completed the installation and configuration of the extension.



Troubleshooting

If you experience problems with the Stack Overflow for Visual Studio Code extension, try logging out and back in.

- 1. Click the **Accounts** button in the VSC left sidebar.
- 2. Click Stack Overflow Enterprise.
- 3. Click Sign Out.



- 4. Sign back in by clicking the **Stack Overflow logo** in the sidebar to access the extension.
- 5. Click Log in to Enterprise.
- 6. In the text box that appears, enter the URL of your SOE site. The extension will redirect you to a login page in your default web browser.

If logging out and back in doesn't solve the problem, follow these additional troubleshooting steps:

- 1. Click the **Accounts** button in the VSC left sidebar.
- 2. Click Stack Overflow Enterprise.
- 3. Click **Manage Trusted Extensions**. This will show when your account last used the extension, and whether your SOE site granted the VSC extension access permission.