Free Access to SPSS through Ball State

Ball State provides free access to SPSS. The code to get free access expires at the end of each fiscal year (June 30) and then a new code has to be entered for the new year.

Every time SPSS expires it is annoying to try to find the access code. It takes multiple different Google searches to track down where it is online.

To avoid that, this is the link to the instructions for downloading SPSS and entering the authorization code:
https://bsu.service-now.com/helpdesk?id=kb_article&sysparm_article=KB0015653&sys_kb_id=4dec2a66db63ccd01c8a303f9d961949&spa=1

It is not necessary to download a new version of SPSS every time you want to enter the access code for a new year. If you want to use the version that is already installed, and if that version is recent enough that there is still an access code provided for it, you can keep using that version.

To skip installing a new version and just enter the authorization key for the version you already have, follow the link above. Skip to the bullet point that provides a link to the authorization key (e.g., "Click Next > Choose "Authorized user license…" > Enter the SPSS 28 product code found on **this page**)"

Then, follow these instructions for entering the new key:
https://libanswers.lsbu.ac.uk/faq/191397

The above instructions are for a Mac. If you are trying to do this on a Windows computer, the steps will be similar, but you may have to search to find where the SPSS Statistics License Authorization Wizard is saved on the computer.

The Ball State Library has resources that can help you learn how to use SPSS. A link to those resources is here: https://bsu.libguides.com/c.php?g=41356&p=263384