## ARC File Organization Guidelines

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## Summary

Save your files within a local folder called **Projects**. Name each subfolder with a unique project number and description, such as "21416.0000 UNM-G Campus FMP Update."

Make it easy for your team members to locate and traverse your work.

## **Project Organization**

The Projects folder on your computer is the central location in which your work files reside. Name each subfolder with a designated numeric code and descriptive title, available from your project manager or the ARC Time Sheets web application.<sup>1</sup>

Ideally, a project folder should be a self-contained root entity with no external dependancies. It may be helpful to group files by category, such as all image files grouped within "Graphics" and all Excel workbooks in "Spreadsheets."

Avoid editing files directly from a network volume. Instead, maintain local copies on your computer's hard disk, and move the finals to a central location when complete or ready for sharing.

Don't store work documents permanently on your computer's Desktop. Instead, file them within an organized and descriptive folder hierarchy.

Projects					
Name ~					Comments
▼			218	14.0000 UNM - On Call	University of New Mexico 2018
	►			Spreadsheets	Excel, Pages, LibreOffice
	►			RFP	Original Request for Proposal Items
	►			Reference	Research and Links
	►			PDFs	Final Exports
	►			Notes	OmniOutliner, Handwritten Notes
	Ŧ			InDesign	Report Files
			ld NCO	UNM Conceptual Maps v3.indd	Adobe InDesign Report
			ld NCO	UNM Conceptual Maps v2.indd	Adobe InDesign Report
			ld NCO	UNM Conceptual Maps v1.indd	Adobe InDesign Report
		►		Links	Non-embedded Images
		►		Document fonts	Packaged Font Files
	►			Graphics	Vector Drawings
	►			Correspondence	Email Messages
►			218	12.0000 Farmington MRA	Farmington Metropolitan Redevelopment
►			218	10.0000 CNM FMP	Central New Mexico Community College
•			218	09.0000 NM State GSD FCA	New Mexico State General Services
	►			21809.1820 NM State GSD FCA Sites	50 Albuquerque Sites
	►			21809.1810 NM StGSD FCA Building	One Albuquerque Building
►			218	08.0000 SWLC FMP and Ed Spec	Southwest Learning Centers
►			218	03.1810 City of Luces Bond Validation	City of Las Cruces GO Bond, clcbond.org
►			218	02.0000 SFPS Options Study	Santa Fe Public Schools

Keep your files organized, making it easy to find your work.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> <u>https://www.arcoffice.com</u>