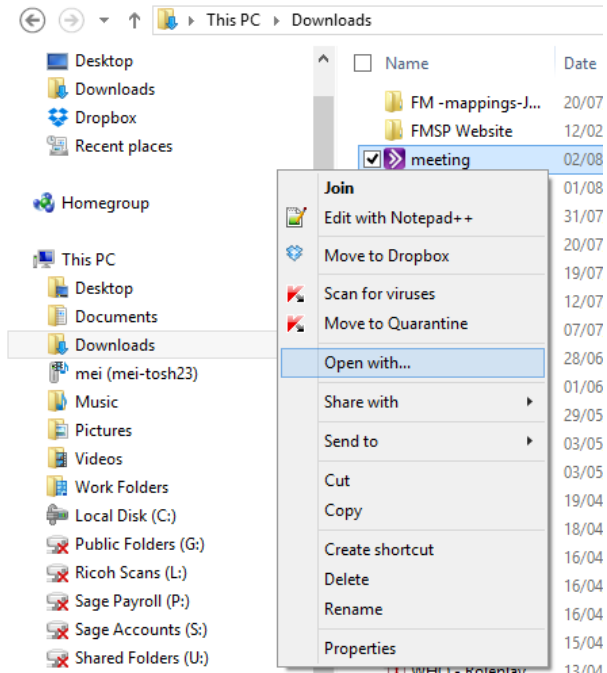


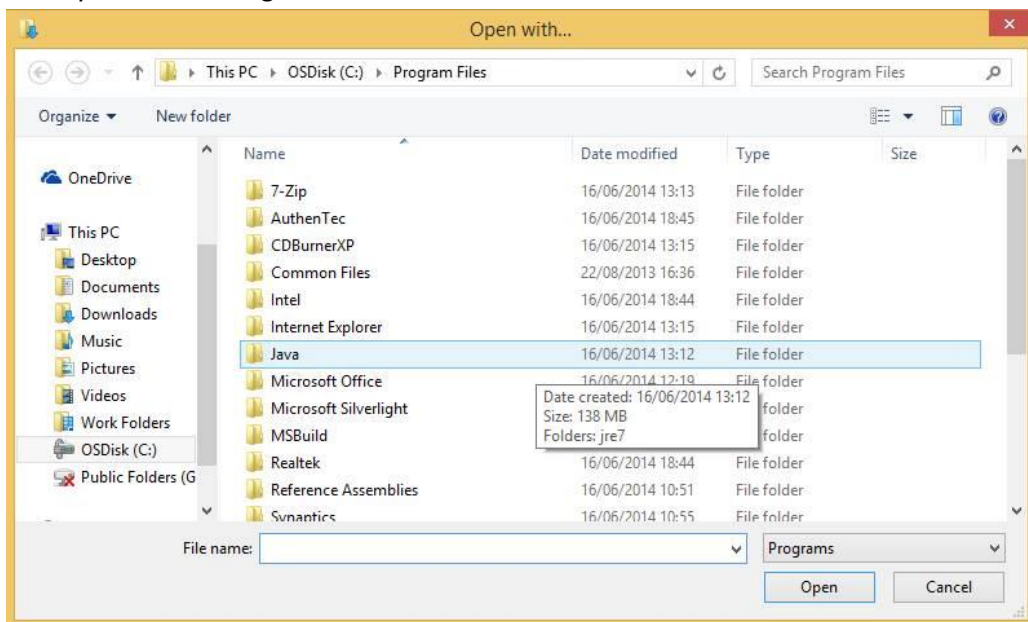
Circumventing the Launcher

In certain circumstances a firewall will prevent the Blackboard Collaborate Launcher from opening and it is necessary to open the online classroom through Java Web Start instead.

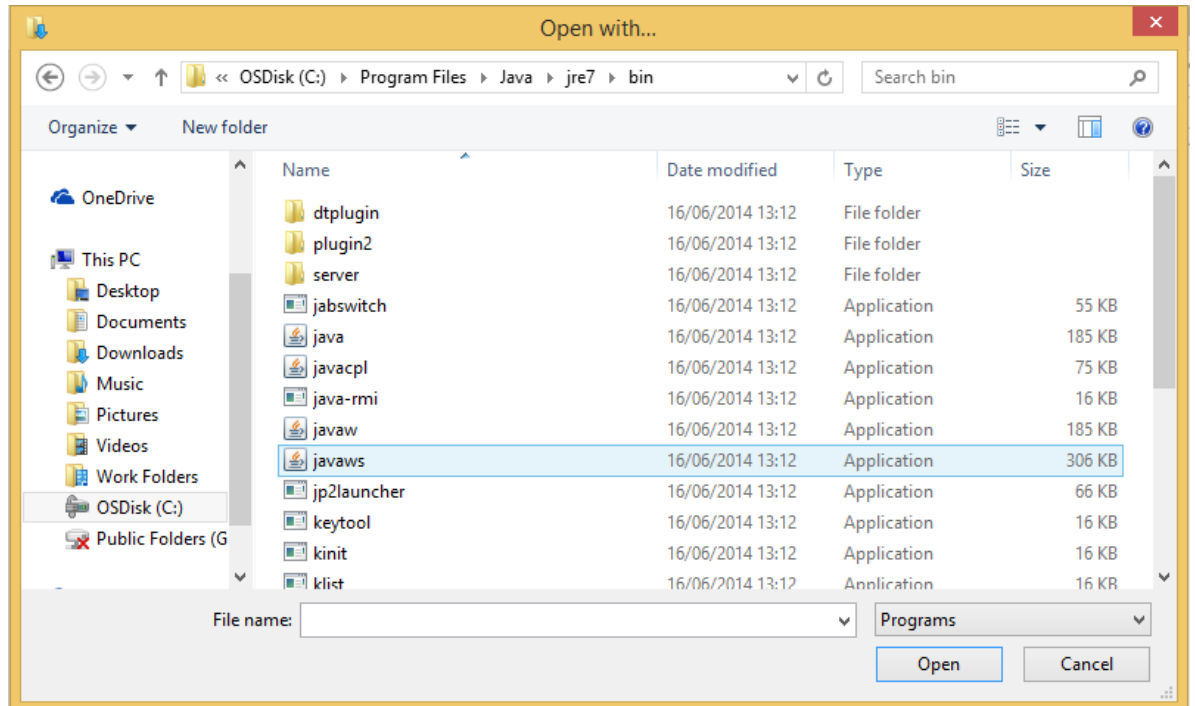
1. After clicking the link to open the room, the purple and white screen will load in your browser and a meeting.collab file will download. Rather than opening the file, find it in your downloads folder, right click on it and choose "open with":



2. This will either open the browsing box (below) or give you a list of possible programs – in this case choose "other". The browsing box will allow you to search for Java Web Start, usually located in Program Files:



3. Choose “Java” as indicated then the usual route is Java>jre7>bin>javaws as indicated:



4. Click “Open” in the bottom right and the room will launch without the need for the Launcher.