Sync Gmail to Thunderbird

Syncing Carleton Gmail to Thunderbird 45.2.0 Windows and Mac OS

*App-specific passwords need to be enabled in order for this to work.

**Note that Thunderbird will not Auto-Fill contacts when creating and sending emails unless the contacts are saved in Thunderbird’s contacts list.

If you already have Thunderbird set-up, you will have to create a new account in order to send and receive from it.

Starting Thunderbird for the first time, you should see this. Whether or not to make Thunderbird the default mail client is up to you.
Otherwise, Choose Create a new account.
Select "Skip this and use my existing email"
You can enter whatever you like in the “Your name” field. Put in your full Carleton email address in the “Email address” field and enter the App-Specific password from Google into the “Password” field then press Continue.
It will then say, “Looking up configuration:” Ignore that and click on “Manual config”.
Incoming settings need to be as follows:

IMAP imap.gmail.com 993 SSL/TLS

Outgoing settings need to be as follows:

SMTP smtp.gmail.com 587 STARTTLS

And type in your Carleton username in the “Username” field.
Finally click “Done” and your emails will begin to populate. Click on your inbox on the top left of Thunderbird and you’ll begin to see your email. Thunderbird is saving mail to your computer, so it may take time to download all of them.