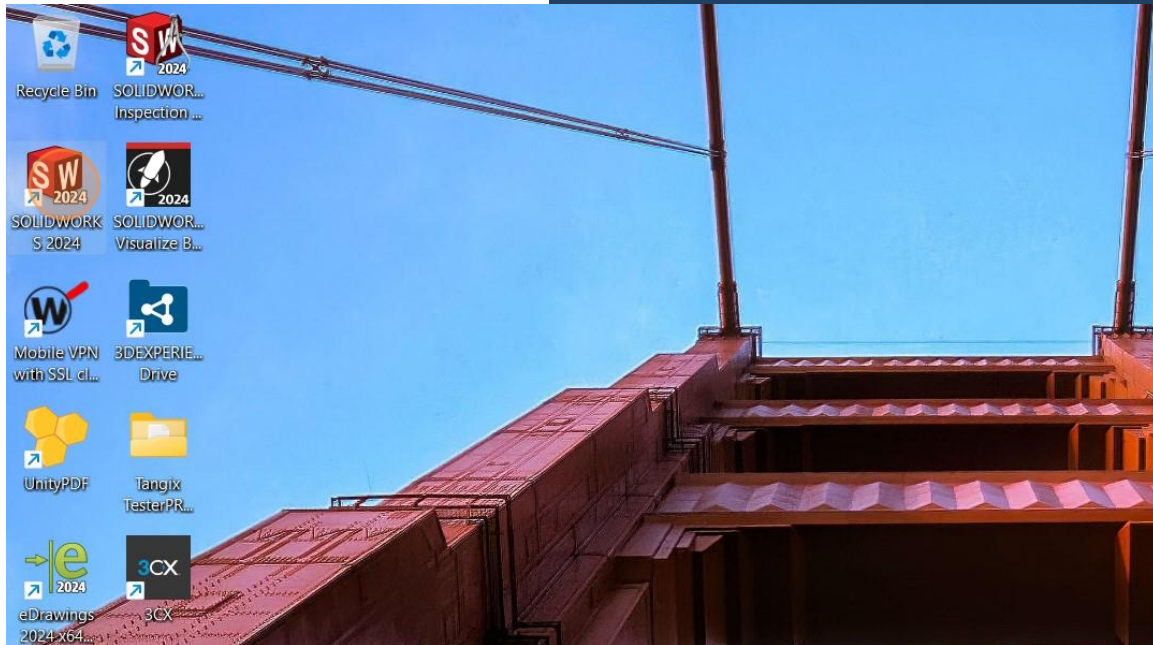

CLEAN UNINSTALL SOLIDWORKS

This guide provides a comprehensive step-by-step process for cleanly uninstalling SolidWorks, ensuring that all related files and registry entries are removed for a fresh start. Following these instructions helps prevent potential software conflicts and issues that may arise from incomplete uninstallation. It is particularly useful for users who plan to reinstall a new version of the software and have experienced unexpected bugs with the current installation.

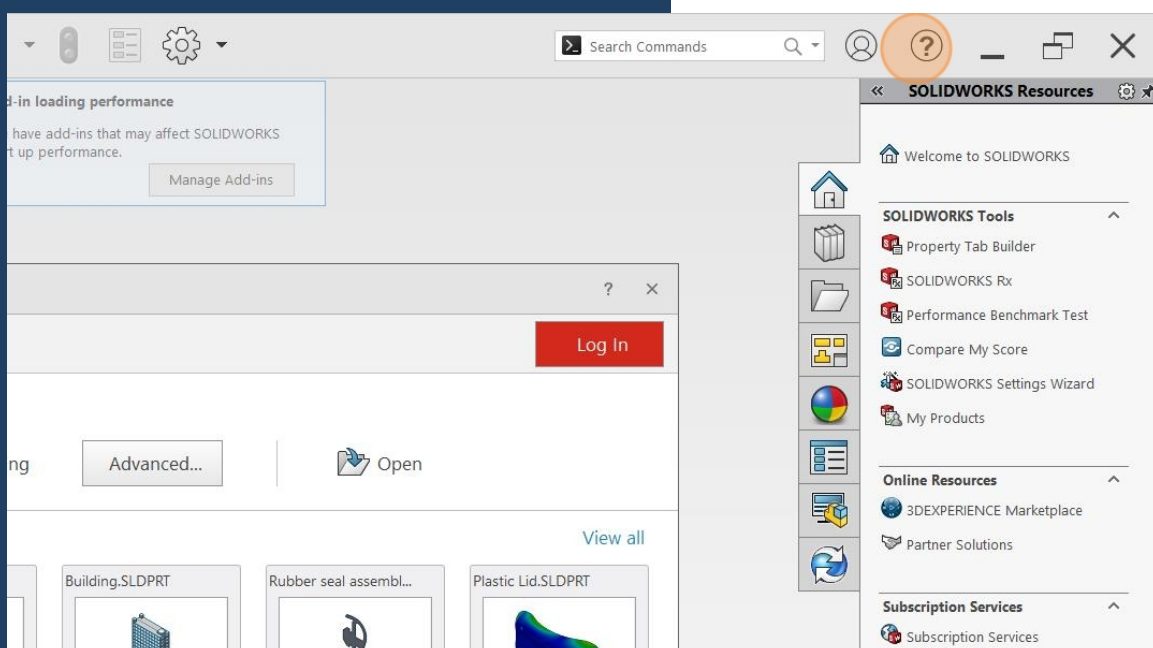
STEP 1

Double-click "SOLIDWORKS 2024" to open the software.



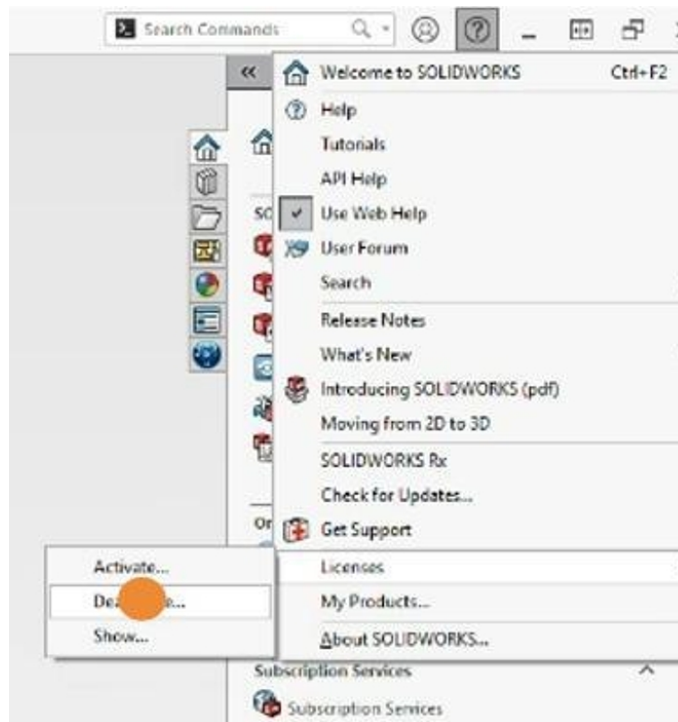
STEP 2

Click the question mark icon in the upper right of SolidWorks.



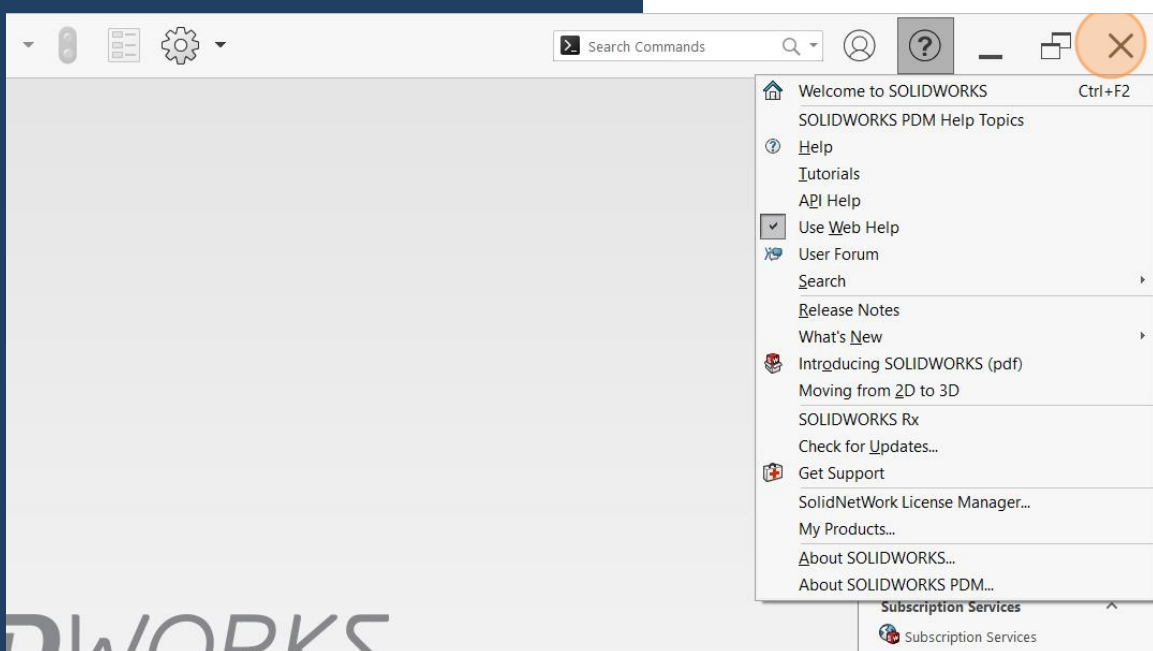
STEP 3

Hover over Licenses, Click Deactivate.



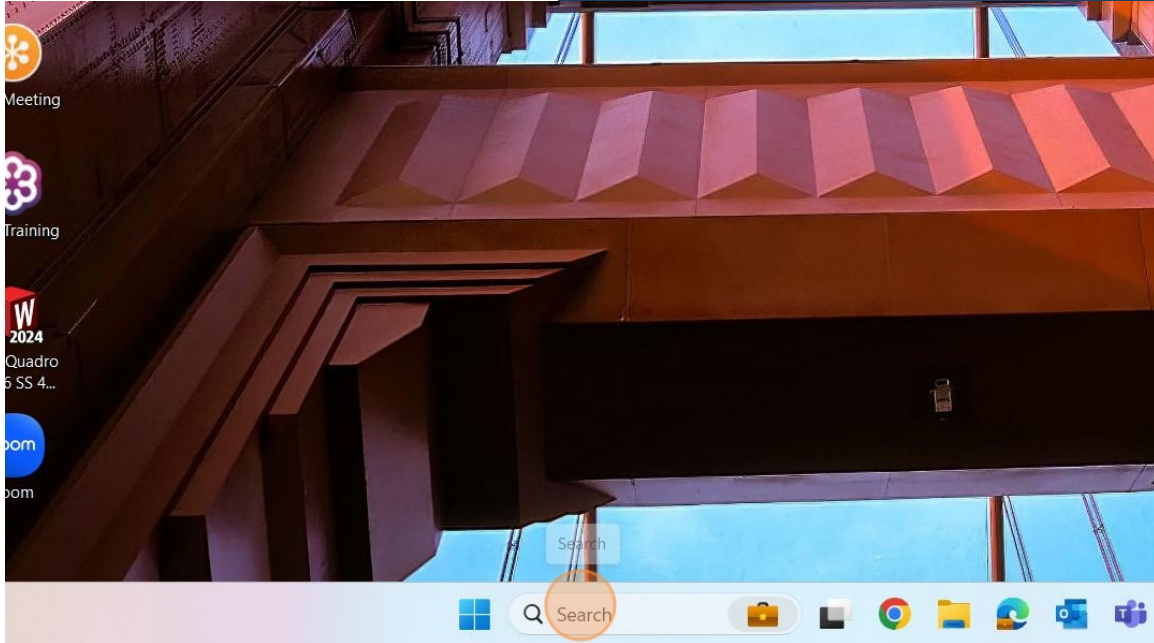
STEP 4

Close SolidWorks.



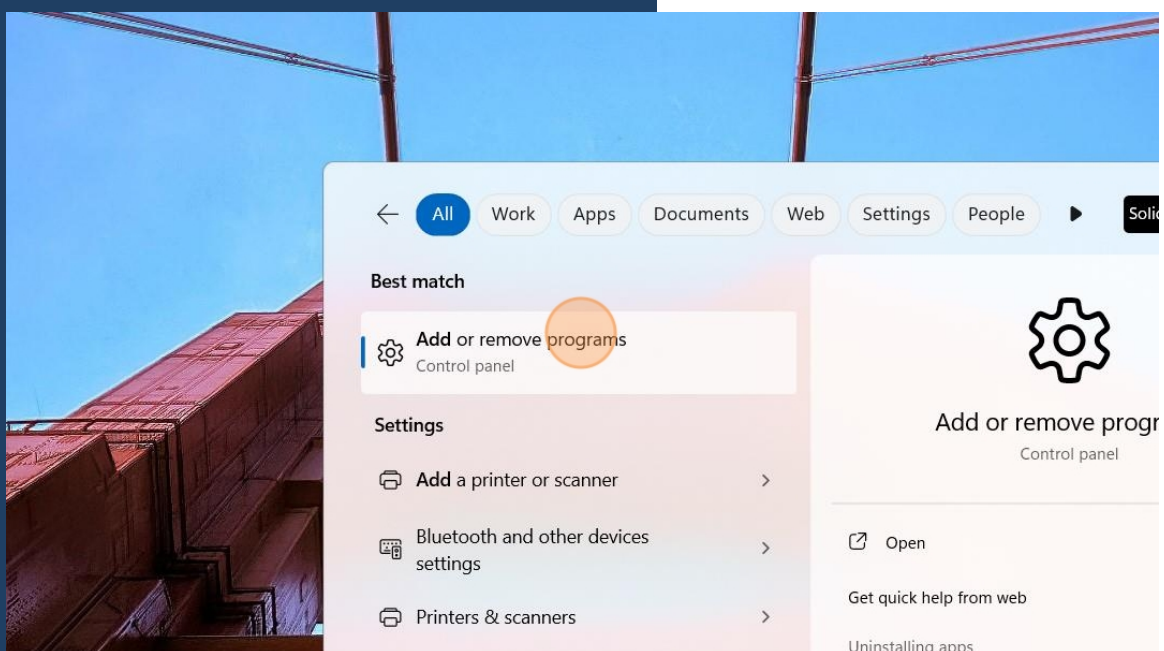
STEP 5

Enter Windows Search Bar.



STEP 6

Search Add or Remove Programs.



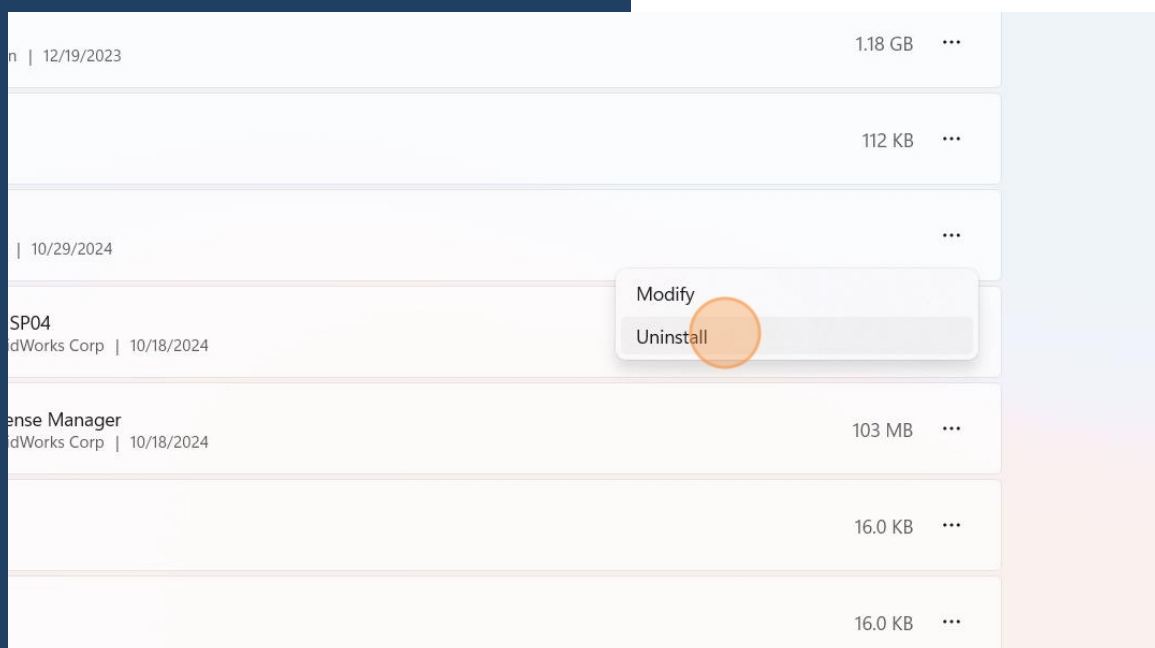
STEP 7

Browse within Programs to SolidWorks, click more options (...).



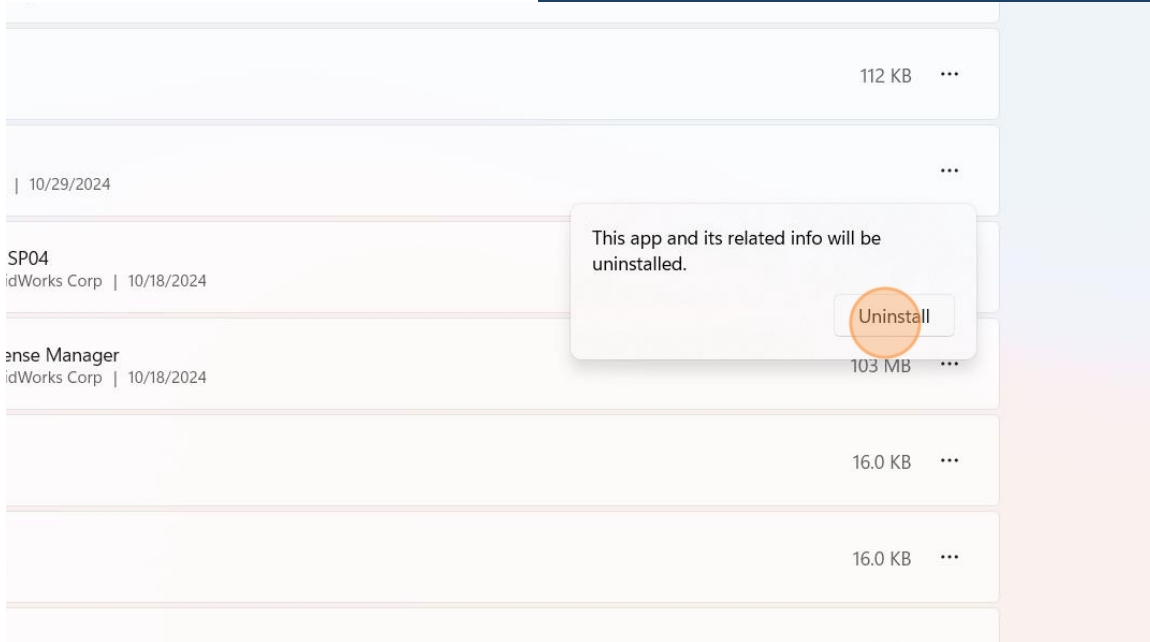
STEP 8

Select "Uninstall".



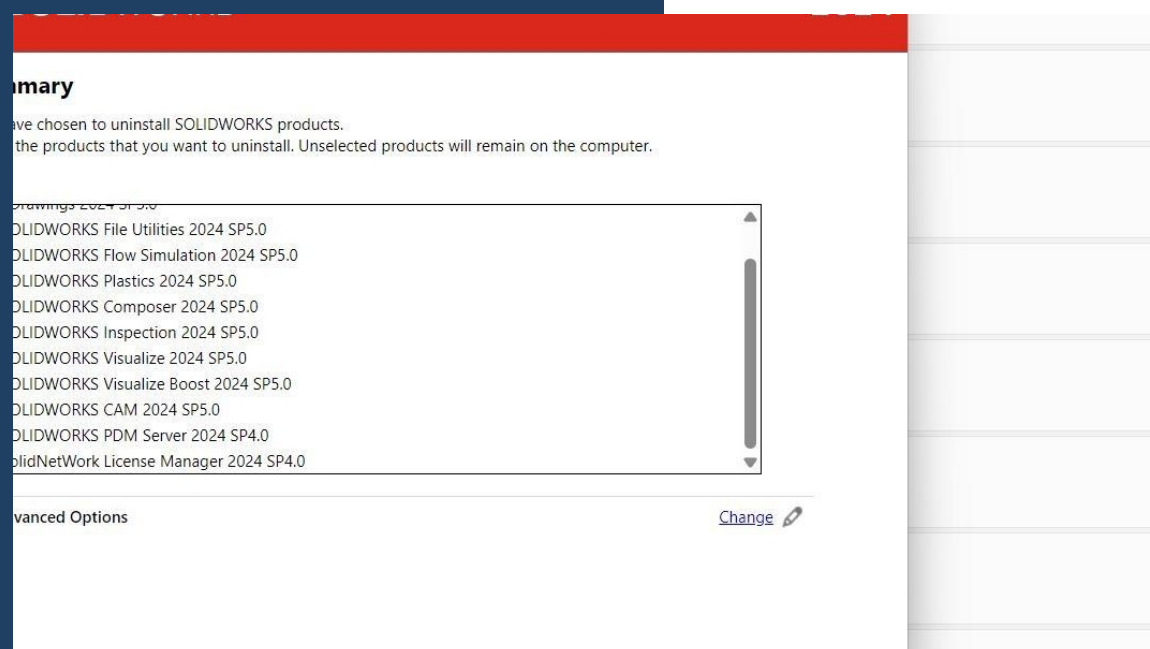
STEP 9

Confirm "Uninstall".



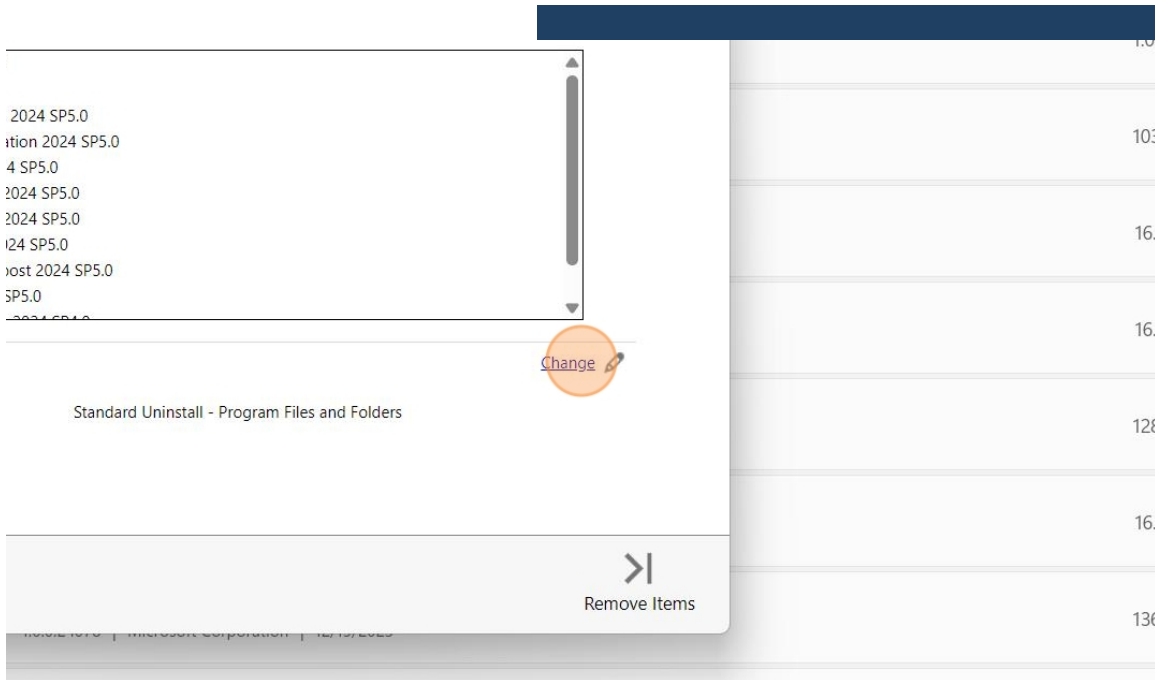
STEP 10

Ensure that all products are selected. If you are using a server license, those components do not need to be selected.



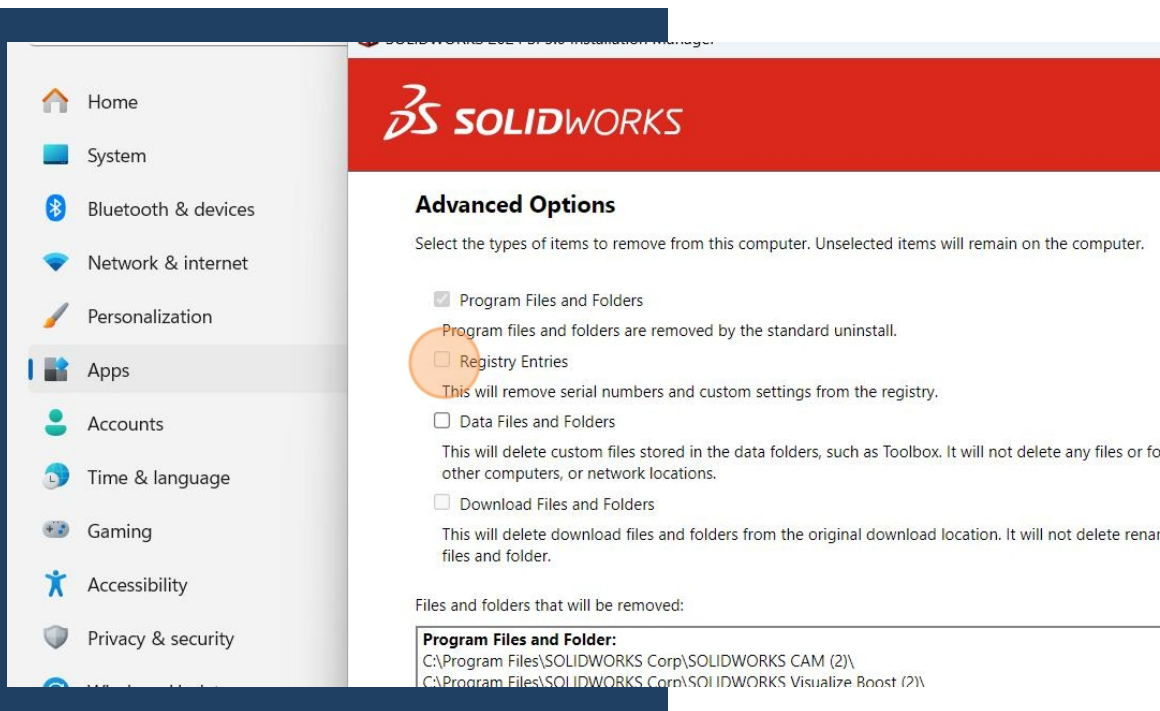
STEP 11

Open the "Change" Menu.



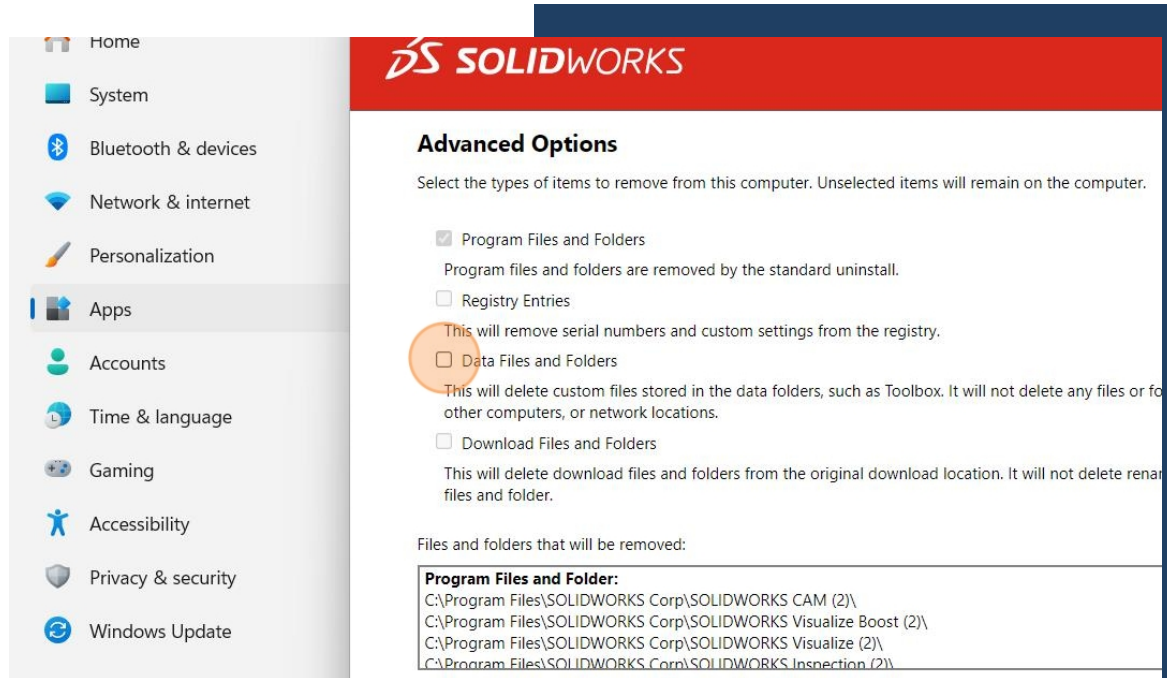
STEP 12

If available, select the registry entries to be removed.



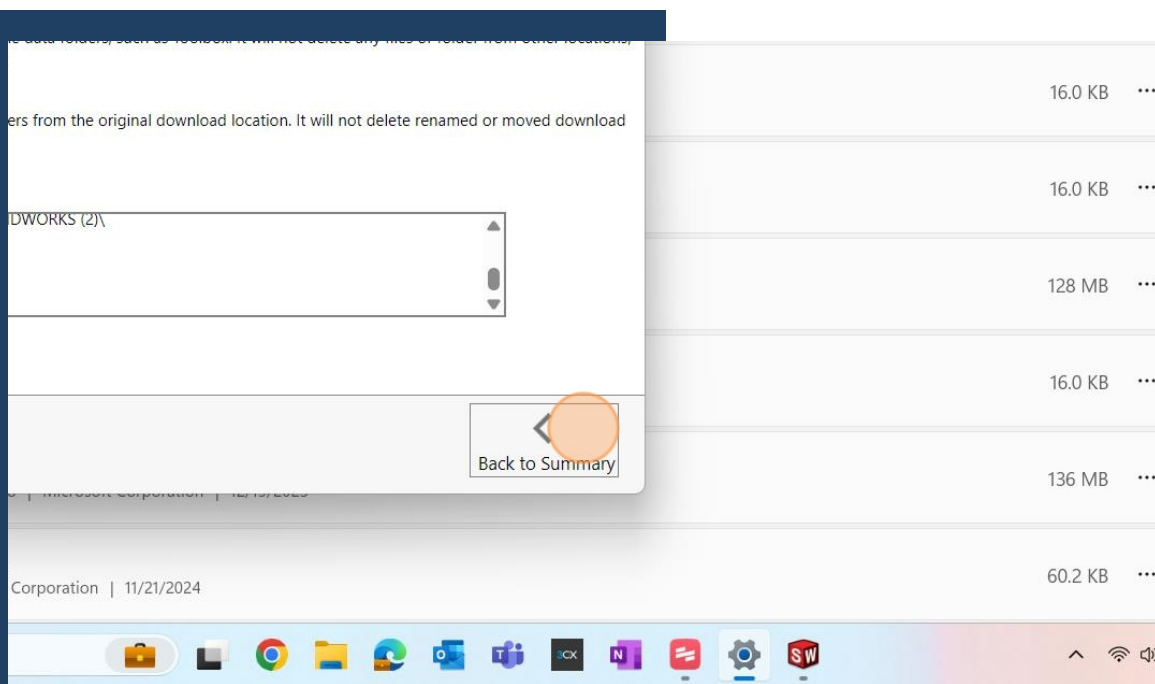
STEP 13

Additionally, select all data files and folders to be removed.



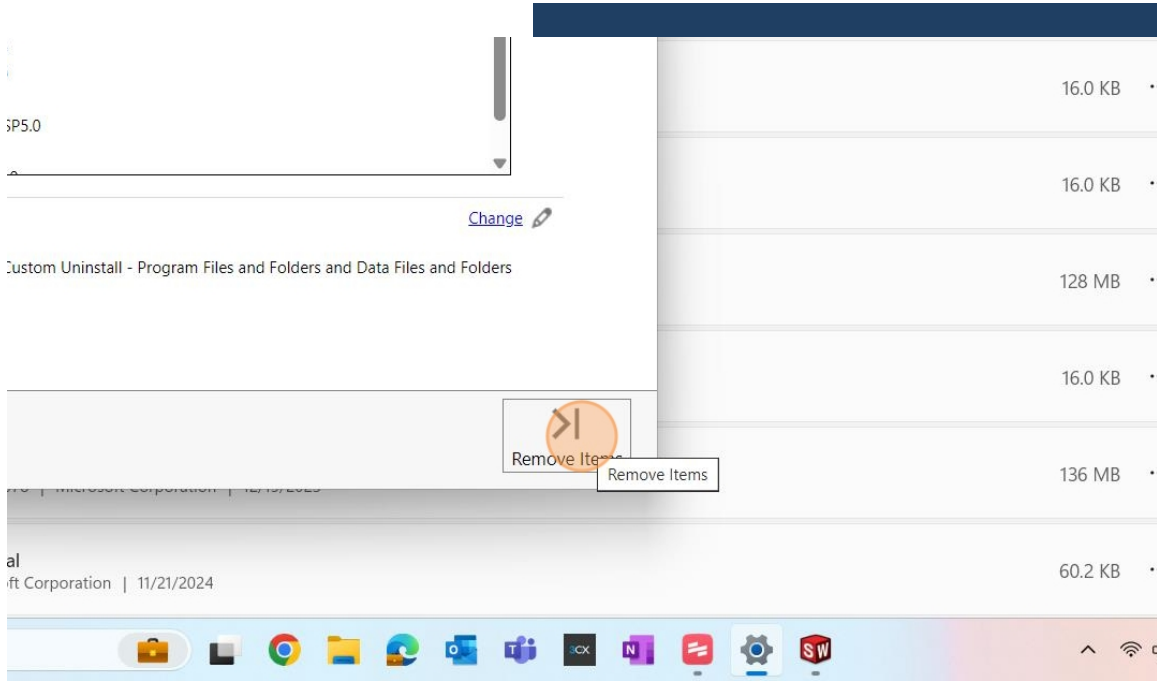
STEP 14

Click "Back to Summary".



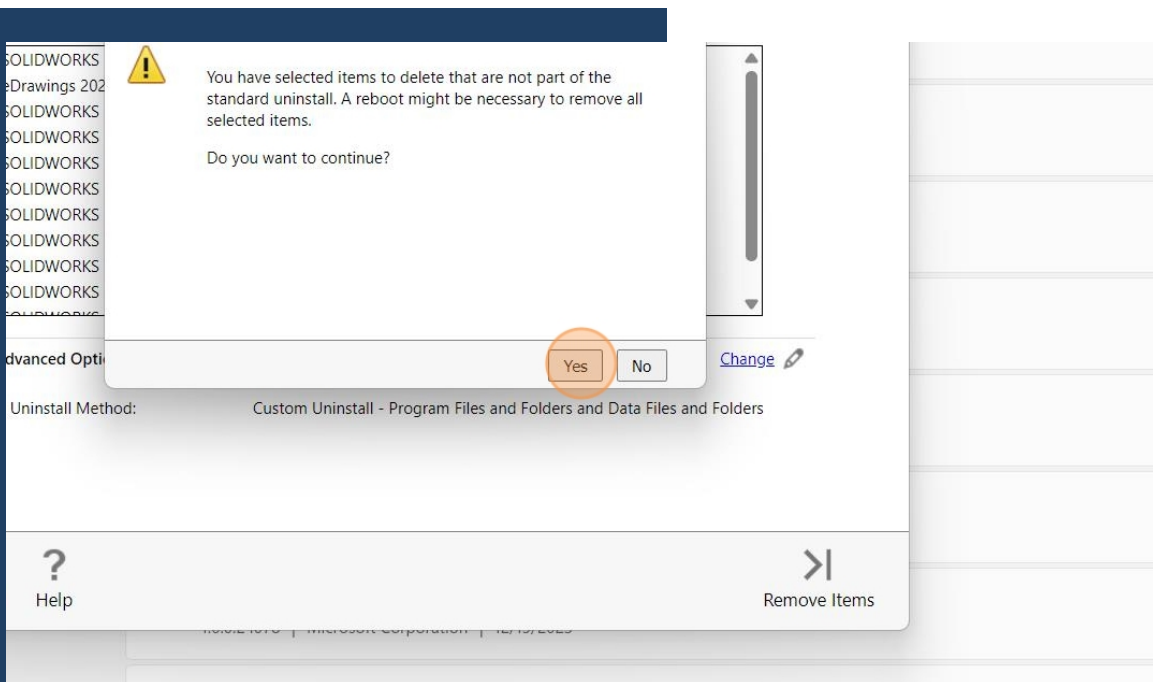
STEP 15

Click "Remove Items" to begin uninstallation.



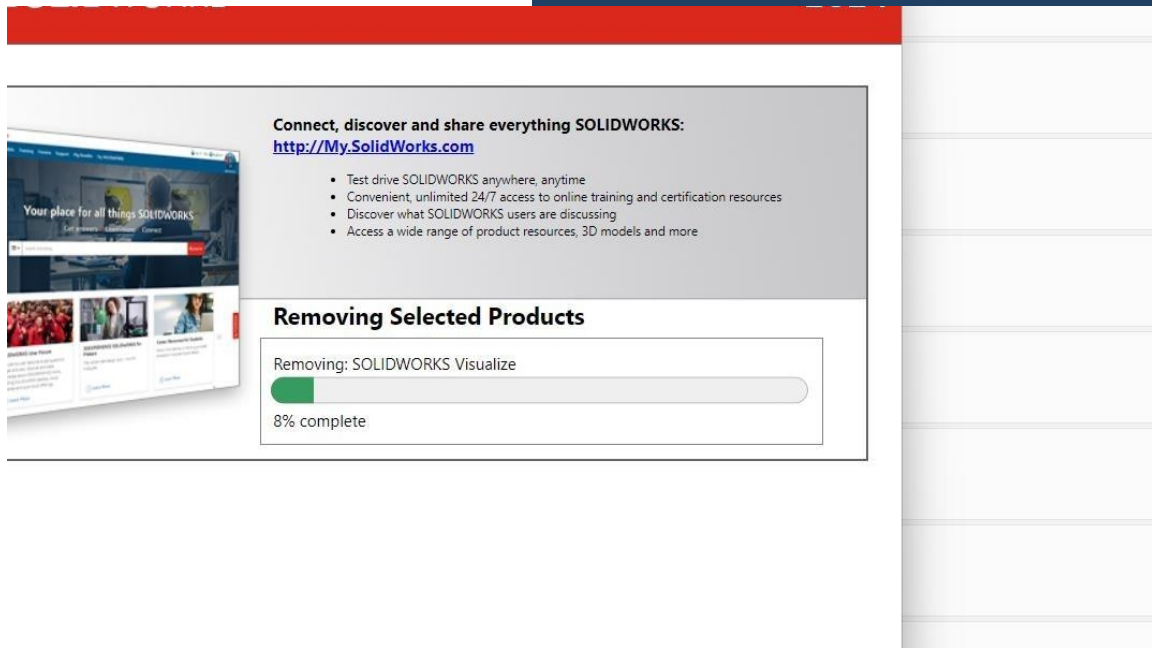
STEP 16

Click "Yes".



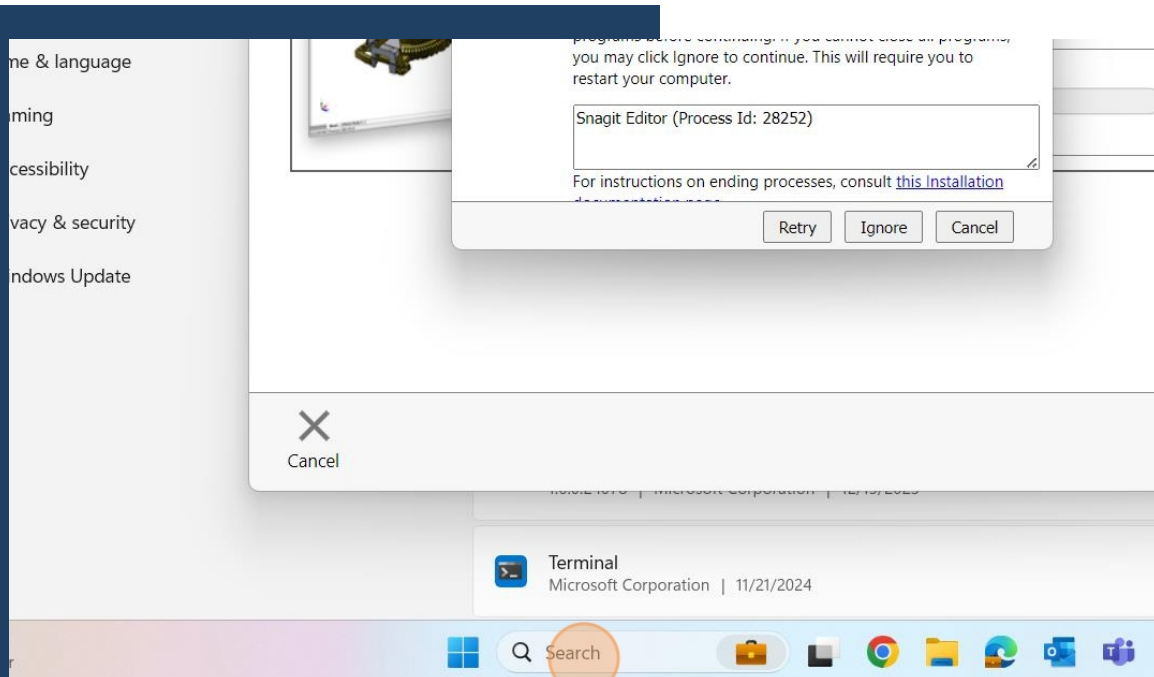
STEP 17

Watch as the uninstallation occurs.



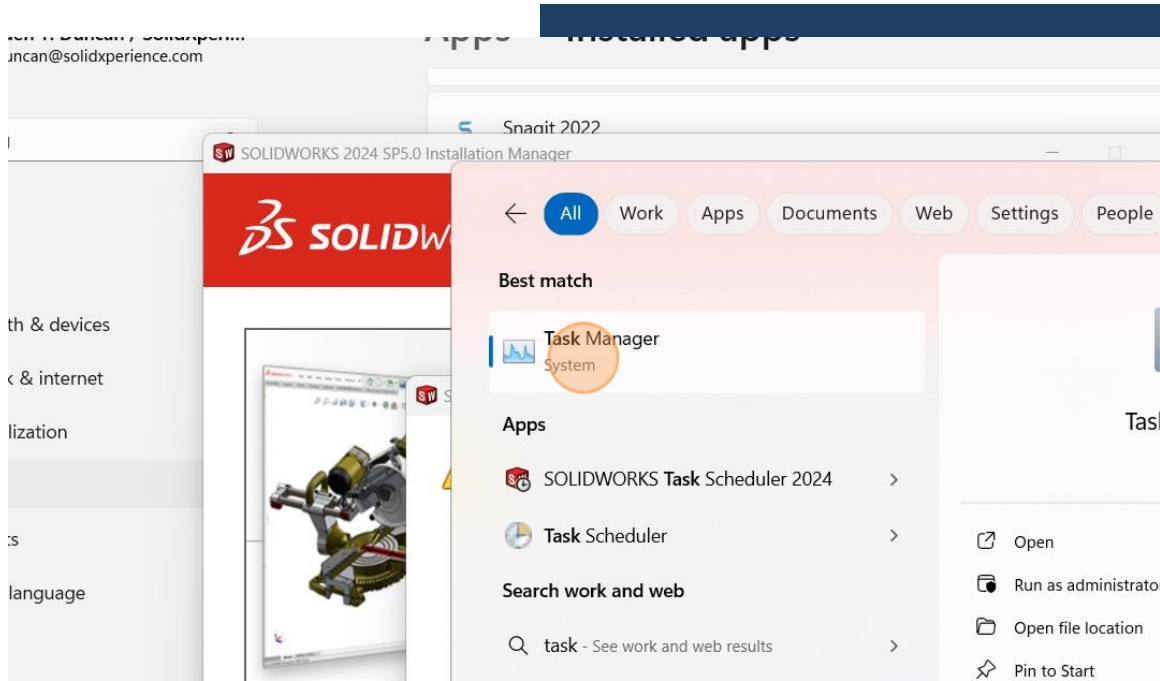
STEP 18

If you get an error such as this, select your search bar.



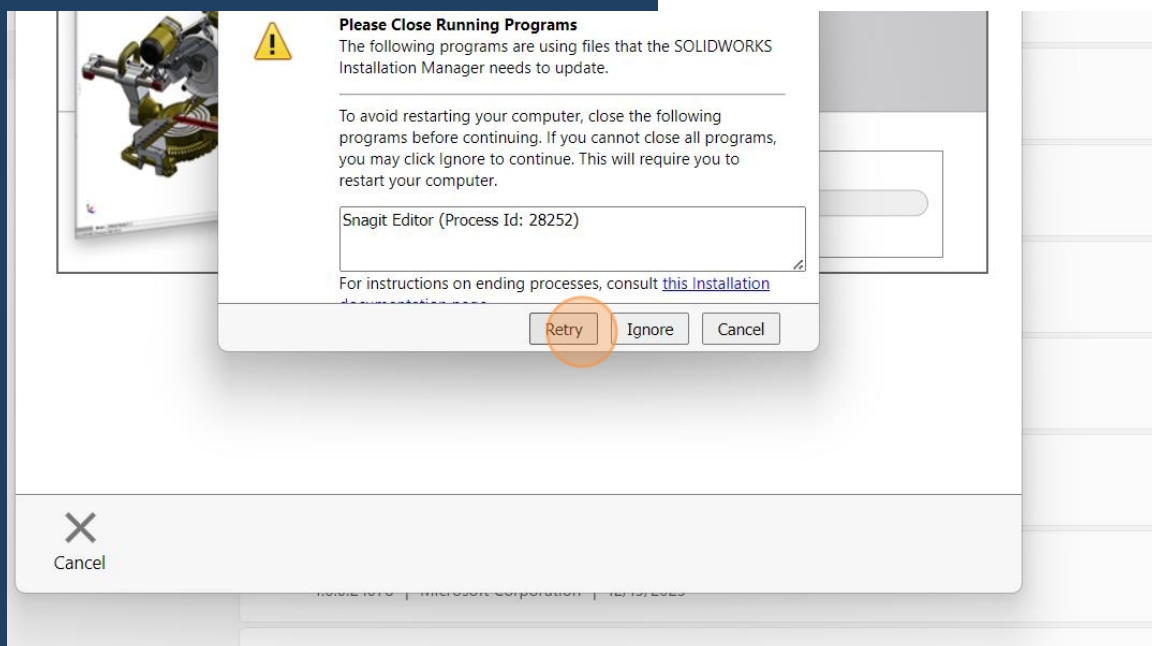
STEP 19

Open task manager, and close the related program operating in the background. (In this case, Snagit Editor).



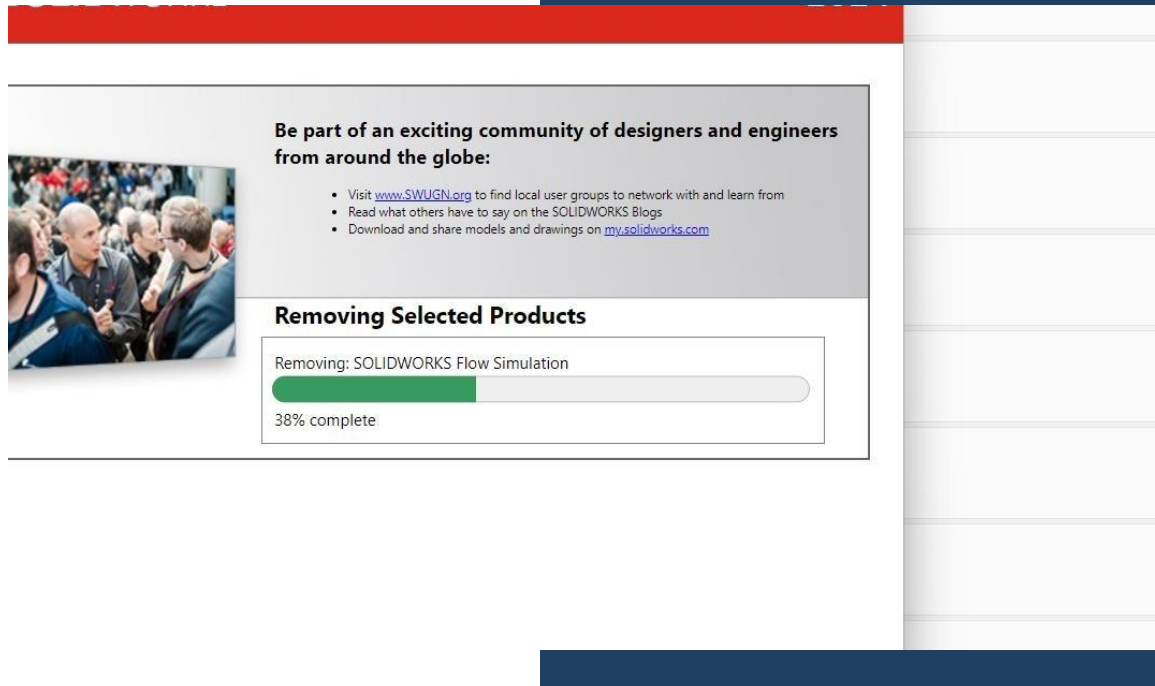
STEP 20

Once the related program is closed, retry the uninstallation.



STEP 21

Wait for the uninstallation to finish.



STEP 22

Select ok. Your uninstallation is complete.

