

Instructions to fix the error of not being able to pin applications to the Windows 11 Taskbar

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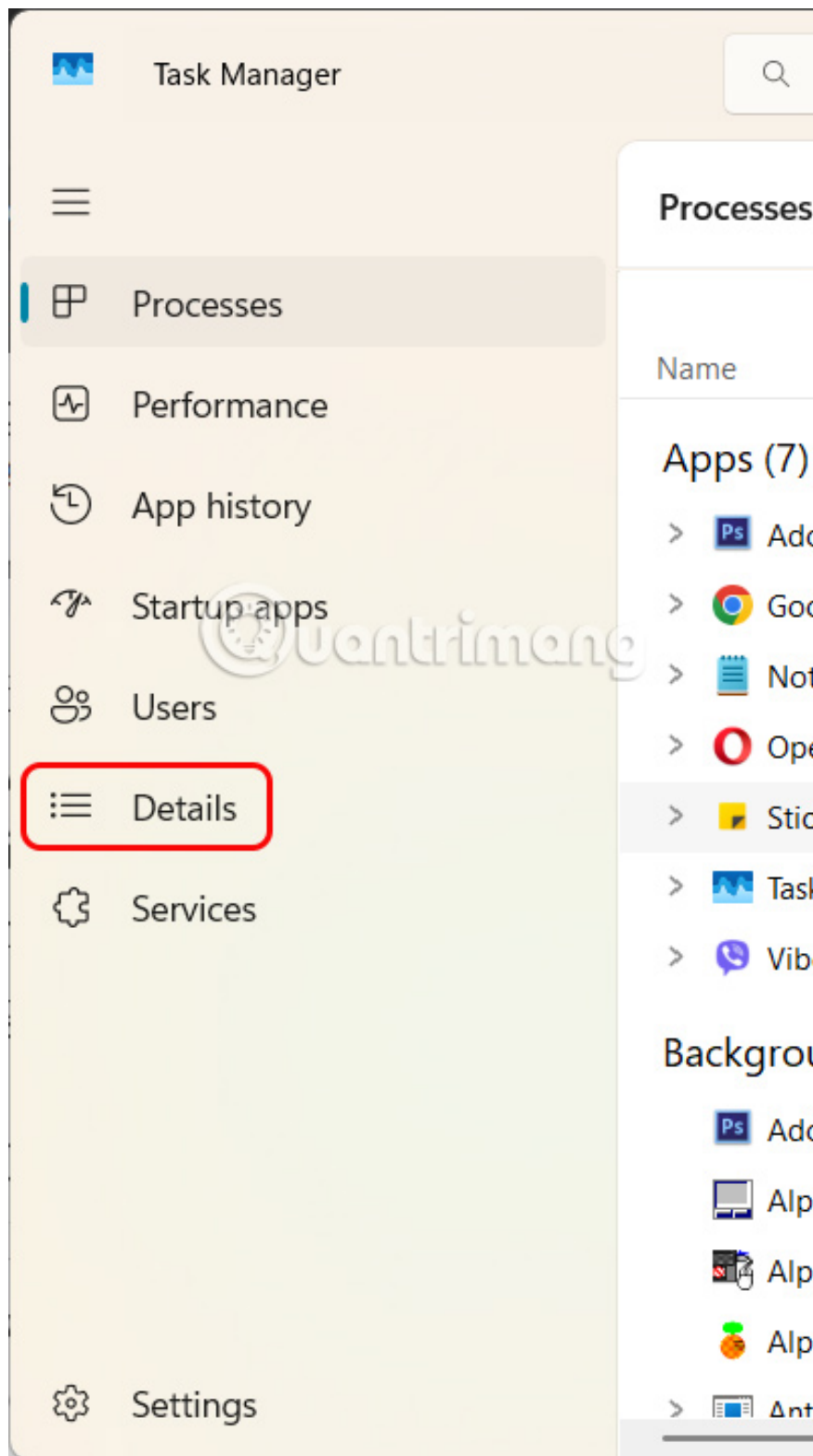
To quickly access applications on Windows, users can pin applications to the Taskbar. And in the process of pinning applications, sometimes we encounter some errors such as not being able to pin the application to the Taskbar. Even though you have performed the pinning operation, the application does not appear below the Taskbar. Below are some ways to fix the error of not being able to pin the application to the Windows 11 Taskbar.

Restart Windows Explorer

One of the simplest fixes is to try restarting Windows Explorer.

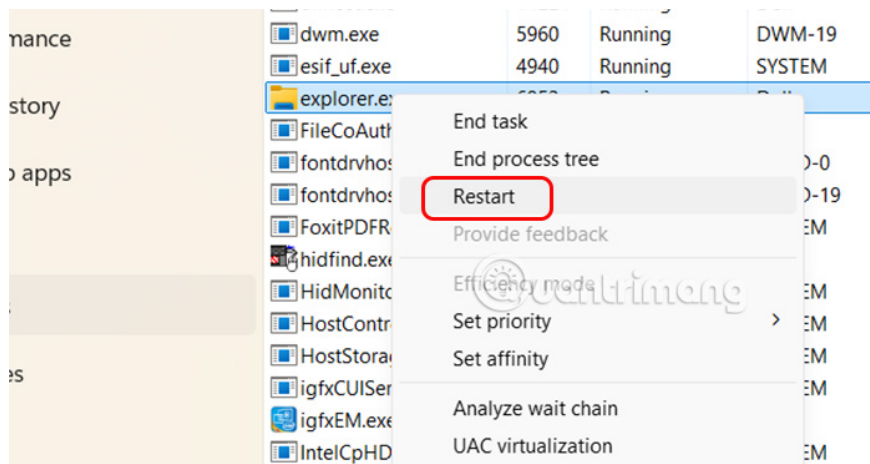
Step 1:

Press **Ctrl + Alt + Delete** to open Task Manager. Next, click on **the Details tab** on the left side of the interface.



Step 2:

Find **the explorer.exe task** , then **right-click and select Restart** to restart Windows Explorer.

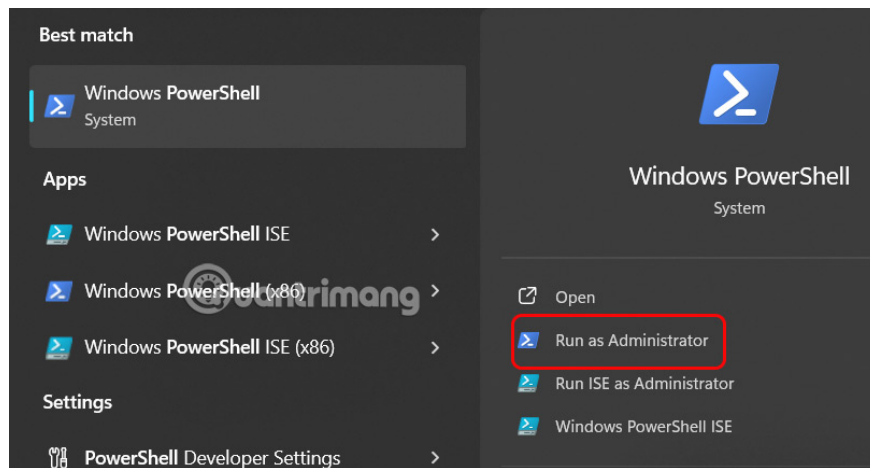


Re-register Taskbar using PowerShell Command

This error is caused by the taskbar being able to stop the system from registering completely so you need to do it again.

Step 1:

You enter the keyword **PowerShell** in the search bar and then click **Run as administrator** to launch.

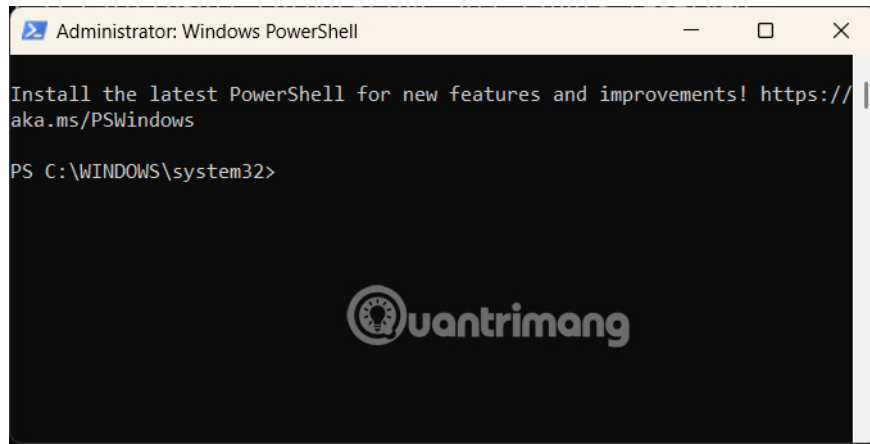


Step 2:

To display the new interface, type the following command and press Enter.

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Get-AppXPackage -AllUsers | Foreach {Add-AppxPackage -DisableDevelopmentMode -Re
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The computer will now restart and re-register the Taskbar.

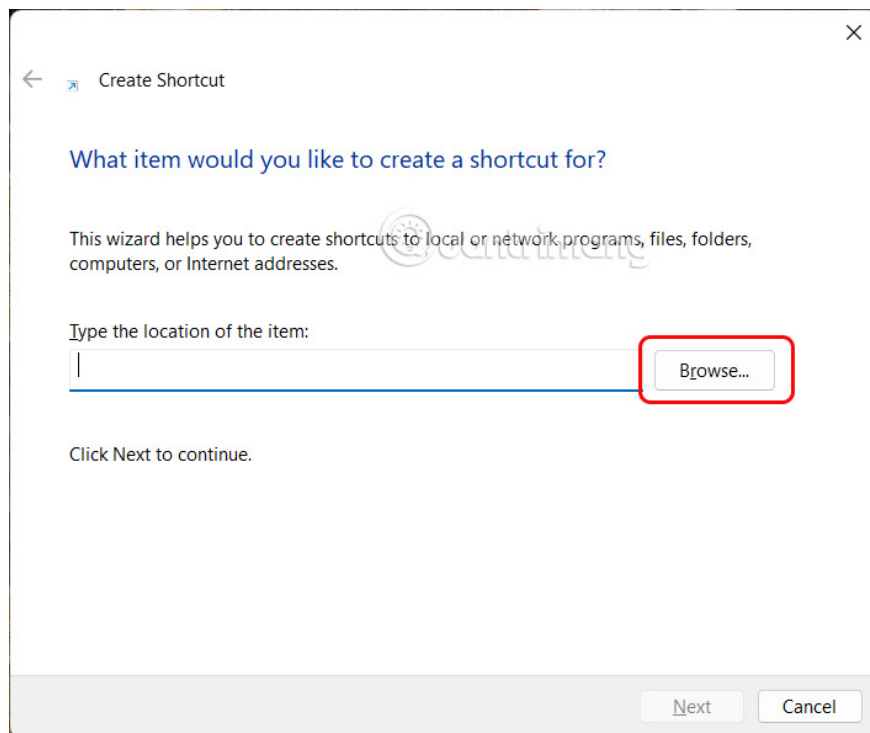


Create shortcuts for applications

Some applications, due to settings or errors from the application itself, cannot be pinned to the Taskbar. We can fix this error by creating a shortcut and pinning that shortcut to the Taskbar.

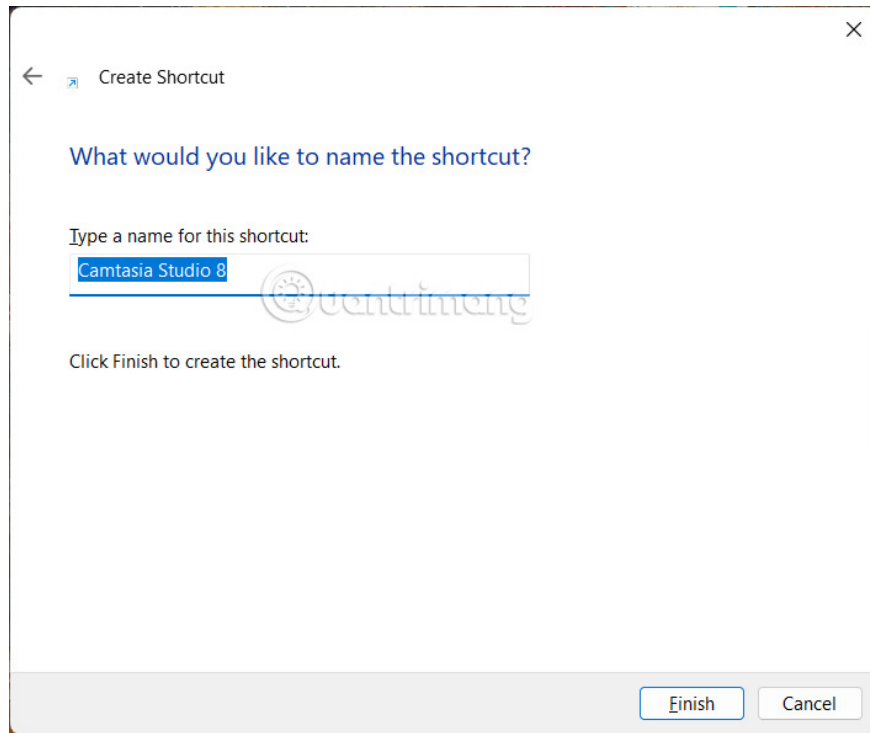
Step 1:

In a blank space on the screen, **right-click and select New**, then select **Shortcut** in the displayed list. Now **click Browse** to add a **shortcut for the application** you want to create.



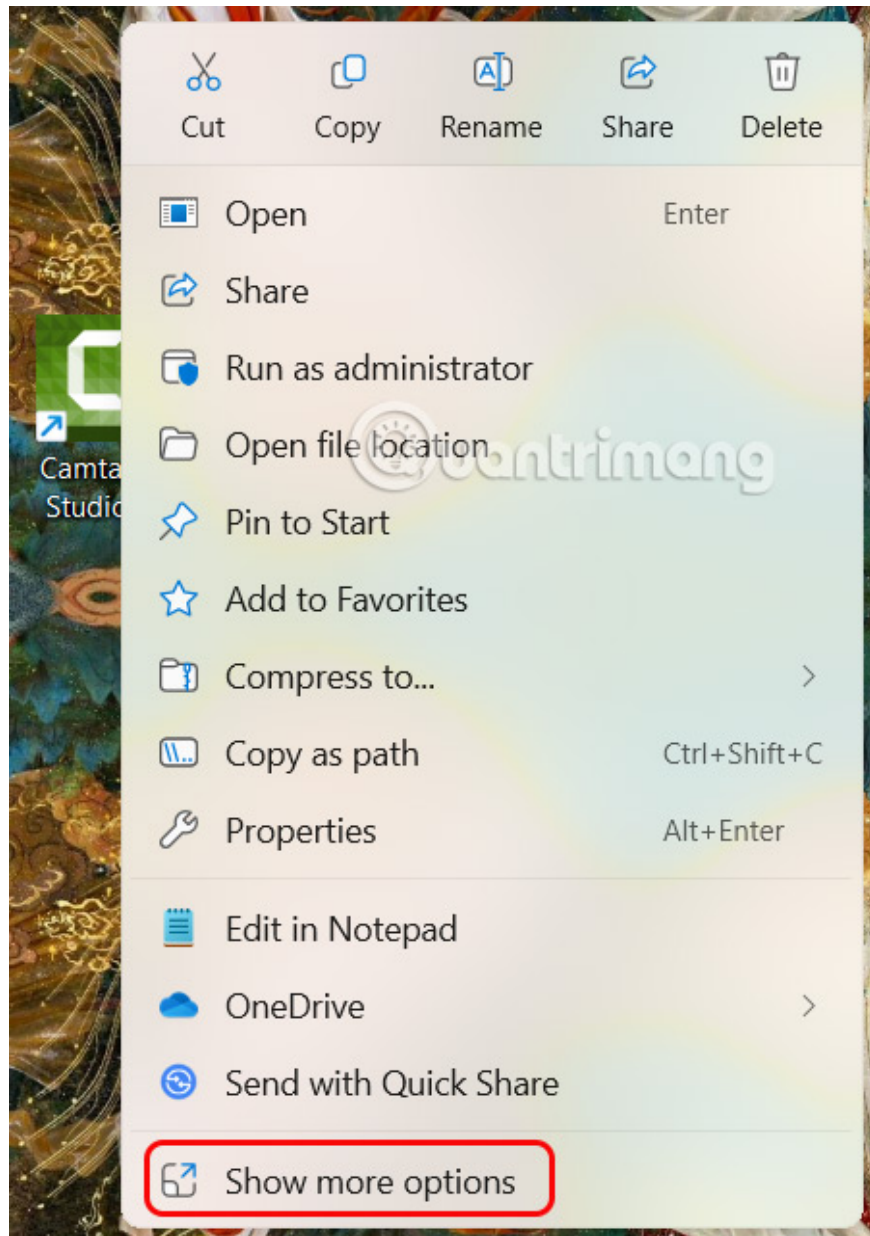
Step 2:

Click Next to continue, then you can **enter a name for this shortcut** or keep the application name as it is.

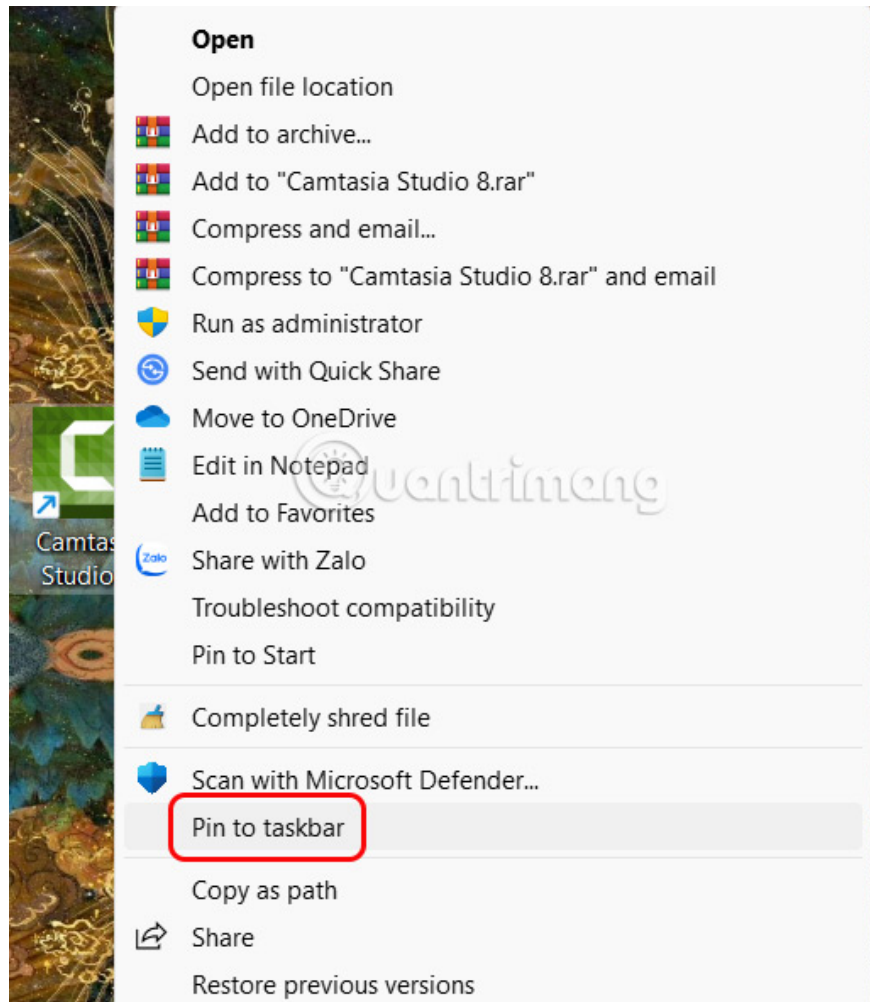


Step 3:

Right- click on the newly created **shortcut** and select **Show more options** from the displayed list.



You continue to click on **Pin to Taskbar** in the displayed list to pin to the Taskbar.

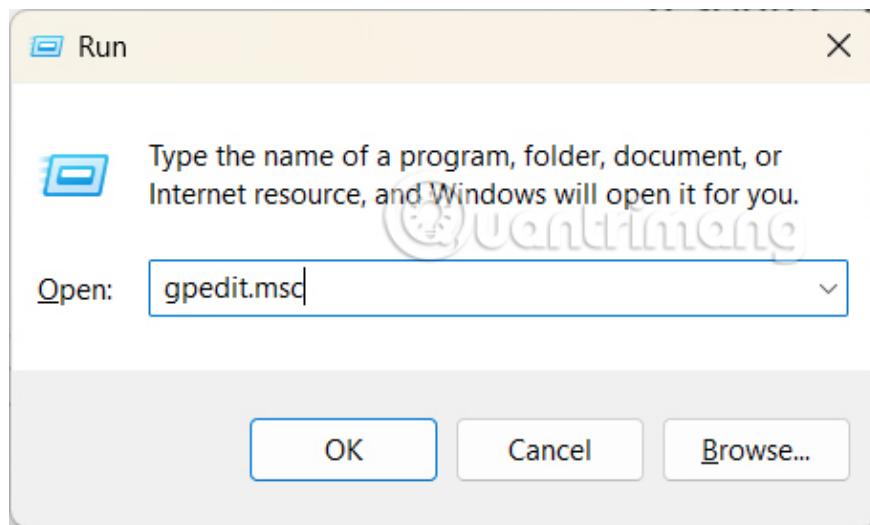


Fix errors in Group Policy

If you are using a shared computer, the Admin may have disabled Taskbar customization. If you want to change the previous settings, you will need to edit them in Group Policy.

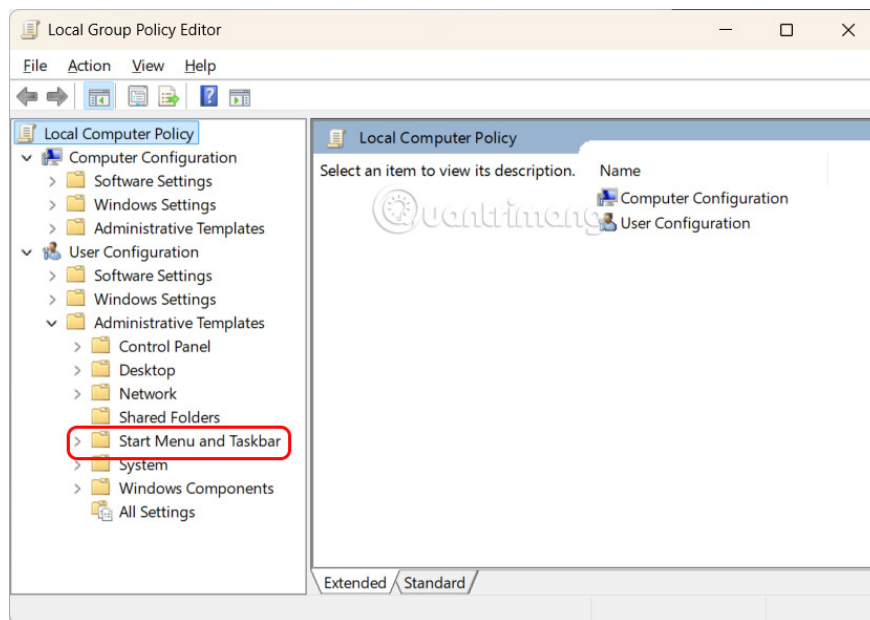
Step 1:

Press **the Windows + R key combination** to open the Run dialog box, then **type gpedit.msc** in the search box.

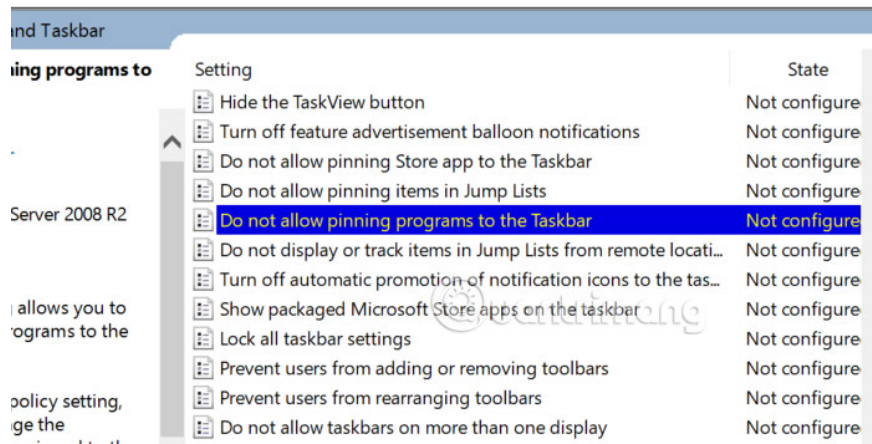


Step 2:

Now you access the path **User Configuration > Administrative Templates > Start Menu and Taskbar** .

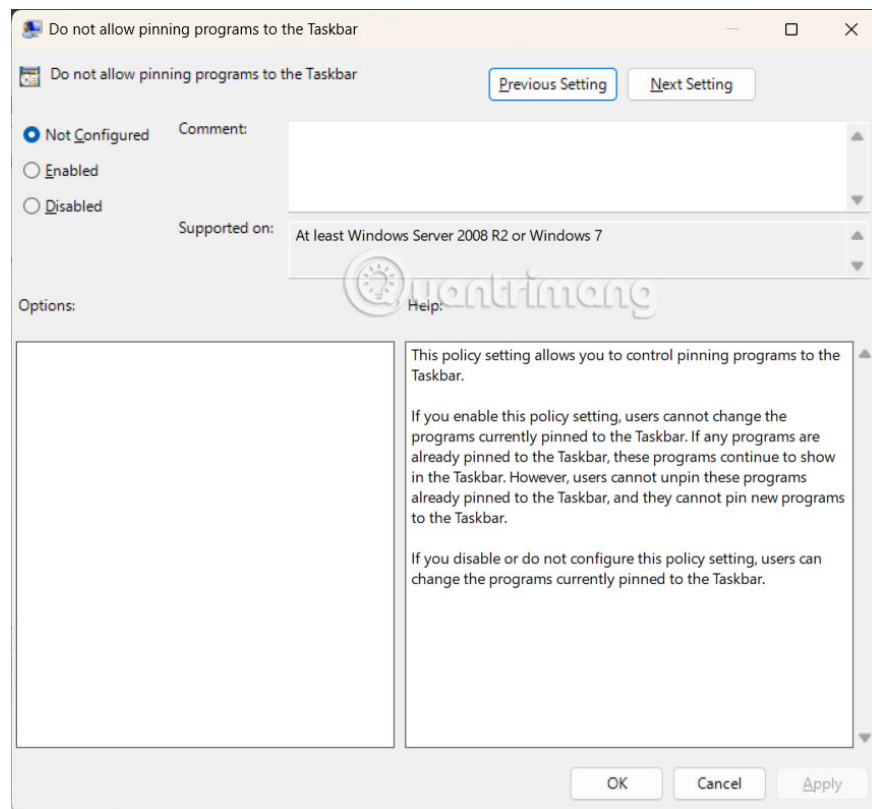


You look at the content next to it, **double click on Do not allow pinning programs to the Taskbar** .



Step 3:

Select **Not configured** or **Disabled** and click **Apply** to apply the changes.



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