

Web :: Activating & Using Your Web Server Account

All Humboldt State University students, faculty and staff are automatically provided with an account on the local campus [web server](#) [1] to host individual and faculty course websites; the account is valid for the entire time they are associated with HSU. To ensure that all HSU-hosted websites are accessible to the entire campus community, site owners are required to take a short survey and, depending on their role, undertake [Accessibility Training Initiative \(ATI\)](#) [2] training before their account is activated.

Activating Your Site

To start the account activation process, follow these steps.

1. Log into the [Account Center](#) [3]
2. Click the "Account Tools" [tab](#) [4]
3. Click "Enable/Manage Your Personal HSU Web Account and Google Tools"
4. Click "Request Personal Web Account and Activate [Google Sites](#) [5], Picasa, and Google+"
5. **Select Account [Aliases](#) [6] and complete the ATI Survey** to request your account.

Setting Up Your Site

To upload content to your site, you can use either secure FTP ([SFTP](#) [7]) or [Network Folders](#) [8], HSU's remote-access central file storage system for all current students, staff and faculty. Your web site files should be stored in the public_html folder.

[More about uploading content](#) [9]

[Site development and management tools](#) [10]

Note the following changes from earlier systems:

- Newer software versions (Apache 2.2, [MySQL](#) [11] 5, PHP 5) are now supported
- The use of tildes has been eliminated from URLs
- CGI scripts, including perl, are no longer supported.

Adding MySQL to Your Site

1. Log into the [Account Center](#) [12]
2. Click the "Account Tools" tab
3. Click "Enable/Manage Your Personal HSU Web Account and Google Tools"
4. Click "Request MySQL Account"
5. Follow the instructions on the screen

IMPORTANT NOTE: Do not make any file that contains a password to a database, such as a config file, "world readable".

Accessing your MySQL Account

To access your MySQL account in order to create tables and other onscreen data displays for your

website, use [PHPMyAdmin](#) [13] (MySQL login credentials required). To reference your MySQL account in config files, use the host name **user-mysql.humboldt.edu**

Related Topics

[User Web](#) [14]

Source URL: <http://www2.humboldt.edu/its/web-users-activate>

Links:

- [1] <http://users.humboldt.edu>
- [2] <http://www.humboldt.edu/its/accessibility-training>
- [3] <http://accountcenter.humboldt.edu>
- [4] <http://www2.humboldt.edu/its/glossary/5#term361>
- [5] <http://www2.humboldt.edu/its/glossary/5#term198>
- [6] <http://www2.humboldt.edu/its/glossary/5#term297>
- [7] <http://www2.humboldt.edu/its/glossary/5#term207>
- [8] <http://www.humboldt.edu/folders/>
- [9] <http://www2.humboldt.edu/its/web-users-connect>
- [10] <http://www2.humboldt.edu/its/web-advanced>
- [11] <http://www2.humboldt.edu/its/glossary/5#term214>
- [12] <http://accountcenter.humboldt.edu/>
- [13] <https://users.humboldt.edu:8443/phpmyadmin/>
- [14] <http://www2.humboldt.edu/its/category/quicklinks/user-web>