Wireless Access: Laptops

About the UofT Wireless Network

Users with laptops can connect to the University of Toronto wireless network.

For coverage maps and to check current wireless status, visit wireless.utoronto.ca.

See Also:
Connecting to the Internet using Mobile Devices (e.g. iPad, Blackberry, and etc.), through UofT.

It is likely that your wireless device might detect various networks with similar names to the UofT wireless network. Any network that can accept connections without prompting you for a password is not part of the UofT wireless network and is not supported by the library.

Rules Regarding Wireless Usage

Usage of UofT wireless network is subject to all existing policies for the appropriate use of information technology.

Before Accessing UofT Wireless Network

Before you attempt to connect to the wireless network, please make sure that you follow these steps. This is applicable to all users:

1. Check your eligibility: only U of T students, staff and faculty are able to use the UofT wireless network.
2. You will need your UTORid login and password to access the network.

Connecting to UofT Wireless Network

Which operating system are you using?
3. Click on the wireless icon from the desktop.
4. Choose UofT and click Connect.

5. Type your UTORid and password in the appropriate fields. Click OK.

6. If you see a warning message, click Connect.

7. Once you are connected, right-click UofT and select View connection properties.
8. Click **Advanced settings**.
9. Place a checkmark beside **Specify authentication mode** and choose **User authentication** from the drop-down menu. Click **Save credentials** and then **OK**.

10. Type your **UTORid** and **password** in the appropriate fields. Click **OK**.
Windows 7

1. You will need your UTORid login and password to access the network.
2. Ensure that the wireless device on your laptop is turned on and enabled.
3. Click on the wireless icon in the bottom right-hand corner of the desktop.

4. Under **Wireless Network Connection**, click **UofT** and then click **Connect**.

5. A dialogue window will appear. Enter your UTORid and password and click **OK**.
6. If you a warning message appears on the desktop, click Connect.

Mac OS X 10.5 and 10.6

1. You will need your UTORid login and password to access the network.
2. Click the wireless network icon in top right corner to make sure that AirPort is turned on. If not, select Turn Airport On.
3. Click on the drop-down menu in the top right corner of the desktop and select UofT.
4. An authentication window, prompting you for your UTORid and password will appear. Enter the necessary information and under 802.1X, select Automatic. Place a check mark beside Remember this network and click OK.
Eduroam

Researchers from other universities are required to set up their credentials at their home institution prior to travelling to the University of Toronto.

Instructions for connecting at other universities:

- York University: Eduroam | Computing @ York
- Ryerson University: Connecting to Ryerson—CCS
- Queen’s University: IT Services—Eduroam

Eduroam may be available at other institutions. Please check their web sites or contact local information technology service.

The following instructions apply only to U of T users who will be travelling to other universities:

Windows 7:

1. You will need your UTORid login and password to access the network.
2. Ensure that the wireless device on your laptop is turned on and enabled.
3. Click on the wireless icon in the bottom right-hand corner of the desktop.
4. Under Wireless Network Connection, click eduroam and then click Connect.
5. A dialogue window will appear. Enter your User name as utorid [at] utoronto [dot] ca (where “utorid” is your actual UTORid), and your UTORid password. Click OK.
6. If a warning message appears on the desktop, click **Connect**.

**Supported Wi-Fi Standards**

- 802.11b
- 802.11g
- 802.11a
- 802.11n

**Signal Strength**

Like all wireless networks, the radio strength varies across campus. If you experience slow or unreliable connection, please relocate closer to a [Wi-Fi hotspot](http://library.vicu.utoronto.ca/library_services/technology/wireless_access).

**Technical Support**

If you require technical assistance at any step of connecting to the network, please consult our staff at the [IT Support Desk](http://library.vicu.utoronto.ca/library_services/technology/wireless_access).

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