

Welcome to ICS!

At ICS, we have four instructional computer labs with over two hundred Windows computers as well as Linux servers. You will need an ICS account to log in to these lab computers, which are located in the Computer Science building. Scheduled lab classes are held in the first-floor lab rooms CS 183, CS 189, and CS 192. The fourth instructional lab is located in room CS 364, and it is the only ICS lab that is open on weekends for any ICS students to use. Let's go over lab guidelines and rules first.

Lab Guidelines

The following are official ICS policies which every student using the ICS labs is expected to follow. Please read and understand these guidelines because you will be held accountable for them. If you have any questions or comments, feel free to contact us at helpdesk@ics.uci.edu.

- ICS labs are for ICS majors and non-ICS majors enrolled in at least one ICS course.
- Lab computers are for educational-purposes only.
- Lab usage privilege does not extend to relatives, friends, or roommates of students taking ICS courses. They should use campus-wide resources such as [OIT labs](#).
- Much of the software on the lab computers is commercial software for which we have bought licenses. If you want a copy, you will likely have to buy it.
- As a UCI student, there are some free resources you have access to, like [MATLAB](#) and [Office 365 and Windows 10 for Education](#). You can also purchase software and computer equipment at the [UCI Computer Store](#).
- Any software you need for your courses will be preinstalled on the lab computers. You will not be able to install software, and we won't install any software for you.
- No copyrighted material (such as movies, mp3 files, and pirated software) should be transferred using these computers.
- Do not tamper with or unplug computer equipment. If you need hardware help or notice any equipment malfunction, inform the lab attendant or your TA, who can call an ICS staff member to assist.
- Do not steal computer components such as mice. Lab equipment is expensive and must be replaced if stolen, which can result in increased fees. If you are caught stealing, you will be reported to the proper authorities.
- On some tables, you will find power strips which you can use to connect your electronics to.
- Keep your noise level to a minimum and respect the personal space of others.
- Log off from your computer before you leave.
- No food and/or drinks are allowed in ICS labs because they can damage computer equipment as well as the electrical and networking infrastructure underneath the floor tiles in CS364 or the carpet on the first-floor labs.
- If you are found with food and/or drinks, **you will be asked to leave the lab immediately for the remainder of the day** (even if you are taking a test).

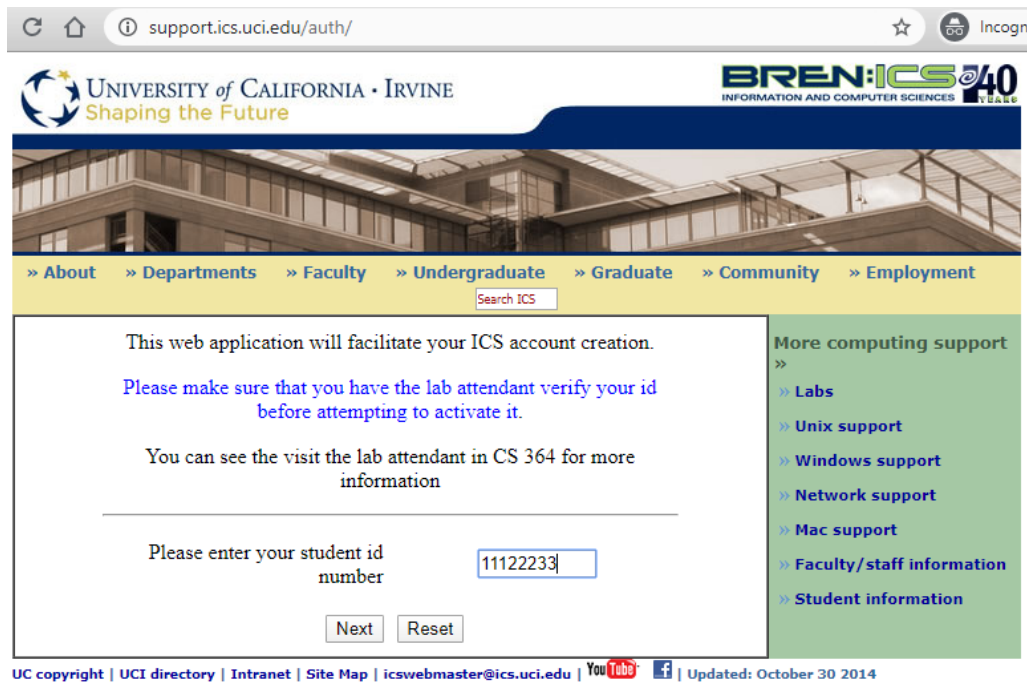
- These rules are enforced by onsite lab assistants as well as ICS staff on a daily basis.

Activate Your ICS Account

Now that you have an active UCInetid, you will create an ICS account with matching usernames.

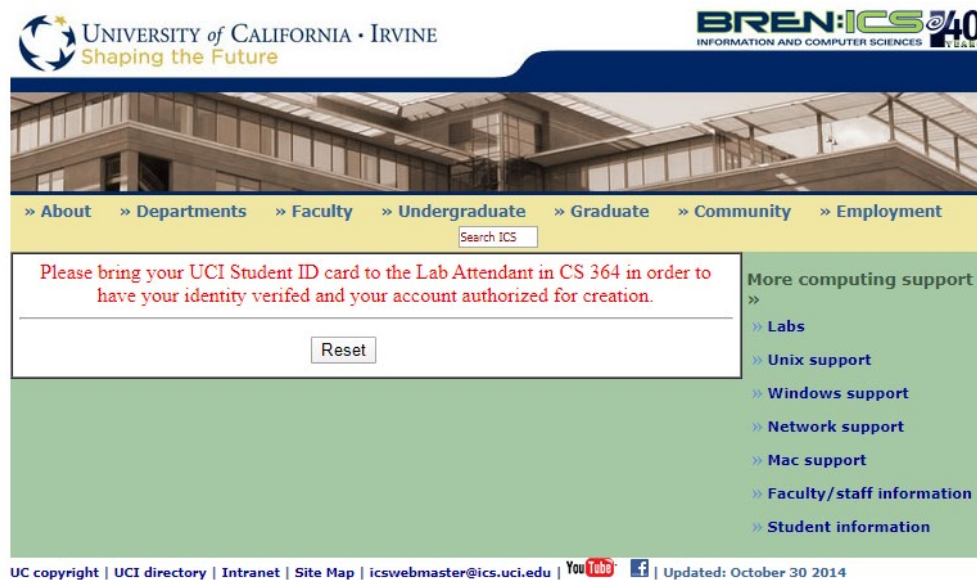
Open a browser and navigate to <https://support.ics.uci.edu/auth>.

Enter your student id number and click *Next*.



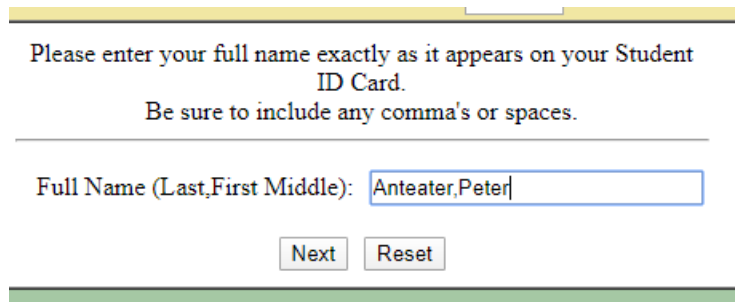
The screenshot shows a web browser window at the URL support.ics.uci.edu/auth/. The page header includes the University of California - Irvine logo and the BREN:ICS 40th Anniversary logo. A navigation menu contains links for About, Departments, Faculty, Undergraduate, Graduate, Community, and Employment. A search bar is present. The main content area contains the following text: "This web application will facilitate your ICS account creation. Please make sure that you have the lab attendant verify your id before attempting to activate it. You can see the visit the lab attendant in CS 364 for more information". Below this is a form with the label "Please enter your student id number" and a text input field containing "11122233". There are "Next" and "Reset" buttons. A sidebar on the right lists "More computing support" with links for Labs, Unix support, Windows support, Network support, Mac support, Faculty/staff information, and Student information. The footer contains copyright information and social media icons.

If you enter an incorrect student id number, you will see the following message. Click *Reset* and try again. You have to activate your ICS account within 7 days of ICS Computing Support authorizing it. Otherwise, you will see this error message and will have a to email helpdesk@ics.uci.edu for assistance.



The screenshot shows the same web browser window as above, but with an error message displayed in a red box: "Please bring your UCI Student ID card to the Lab Attendant in CS 364 in order to have your identity verified and your account authorized for creation." Below the message is a "Reset" button. The rest of the page layout, including the navigation menu, sidebar, and footer, remains the same.

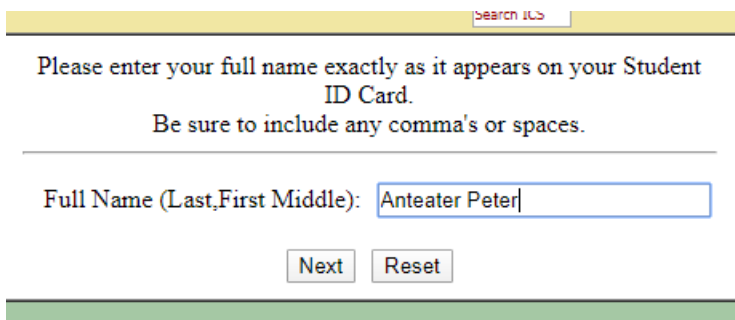
Next, enter your name following the specified format with a single comma.



Please enter your full name exactly as it appears on your Student ID Card.
Be sure to include any comma's or spaces.

Full Name (Last,First Middle):

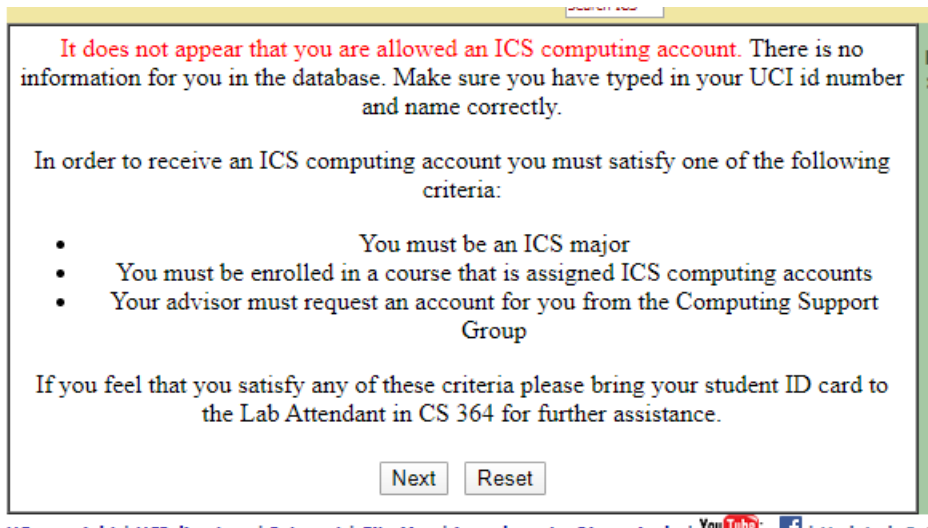
Do not to forget the comma, as incorrectly shown below:



Please enter your full name exactly as it appears on your Student ID Card.
Be sure to include any comma's or spaces.

Full Name (Last,First Middle):

Do not add an extra comma resulting in *Last, First, Middle* either. Both of these incorrect formats will give you this error message:



It does not appear that you are allowed an ICS computing account. There is no information for you in the database. Make sure you have typed in your UCI id number and name correctly.

In order to receive an ICS computing account you must satisfy one of the following criteria:

- You must be an ICS major
- You must be enrolled in a course that is assigned ICS computing accounts
- Your advisor must request an account for you from the Computing Support Group

If you feel that you satisfy any of these criteria please bring your student ID card to the Lab Attendant in CS 364 for further assistance.

After typing your name in the correct format, click *Next*.

You should see this message:

I see that you are allowed an account on the following system(s)

Linux Shell
Windows

On the following pages you will be asked to read the Bren School computing ethics document and to provide information necessary for setting up your account.

Click *Next*. Read over the usage agreement and click *Next*.

ethics - Ethical Use of Computing Resources

INTRODUCTION

As a student you are probably aware of certain ethical responsibilities you have, such as honesty in doing class-work. Another area in which you have important ethical responsibilities is in your use of computing resources. This document describes some of these responsibilities and explains ICS Department policy on student use of computing resources. Some of these policies might be different from what you would expect, so please read over and understand this document.

Agree to the terms and click *Next*.

At this point you have read the Bren School Computing Ethics Document.
This document is always available to reference either on the web at <http://www.ics.uci.edu/computing/ethics> or by running `man ethics` on any Linux workstation.

Please read the following statements and check the appropriate box below.

I have read the Bren School Computing Ethics Document and agree to abide by the terms set forth in that document.

- I agree.
 I disagree.

Select a password for your ICS account. Please note the strict requirements.

Requirement #3 stipulates that you cannot use any 2 adjacent characters from your name or username in your password. Since my theoretical name is Peter Anteater, I cannot use IlikeTodrinkTea2020! (it would also break the “no dictionary words” rule). Instead, I could use Il1k3T0dr1nkT3@! for my password.

You must now enter an initial password for your new account(s).

When selecting your new password please make sure that it meets the following criteria:

1. Your password must be 8 characters minimum in length
2. Your password must contain one character from all four characters sets
 - o Lower case alphabetic [a-z]
 - o Upper case alphabetic [A-Z]
 - o Number[0-9]
 - o Symbol [?!@#%\$^&()]
 - o Your password may not contain the following symbol:
*
3. Your password cannot contain any portion of your username
4. Your password should not be based on a dictionary word.

Enter a new password:

Verify your password:

Click *Next*. Select a security question from the dropdown menu and type a corresponding answer.

Please select one of the security questions in the drop down menu and provide an answer. This information will be stored with your account and used to reset your password.

Security Question:

Answer:

Click *Next*. Set your Forwarding address to your UCI email address. You may also use that email address for your Recovery address if you wish.

Your email will be forwarded to the address below. If you prefer to have your email forwarded to another address enter it below.

Do not enter your ICS email address here. If you would like your email kept at ICS, please visit <https://mailboss.ics.uci.edu> after your account has been activated.

Forwarding address:

Please indicate an alternate address that can be used to send you administrative messages about your ICS email account such as changes to password. This email address should not be the same as your forwarding address.

Recovery address:

Click *Next*. You will see a summary similar to the one below. Please note that while you will have an ICS account with an associated email address (panteater@ics.uci.edu), you **won't** get email with us. Your incoming ICS email will be forwarded to your UCI email address (panteater@uci.edu) or whatever email address you specified in the previous step.

Thank you. Your account has been successfully queued for creation and should be available in approximately **two hours**.

Please make a note of your login name and other information below.

- Your login name is [panteater](#)
- Your ICS email address is panteater@ics.uci.edu
- Your ICS email will be automatically forwarded to panteater@uci.edu

After clicking *Finish*, you will be taken to the first screen, which you may now close. You are done creating your ICS account!

This web application will facilitate your ICS account creation.

[Please make sure that you have the lab attendant verify your id before attempting to activate it.](#)

You can see the visit the lab attendant in CS 364 for more information

Please enter your student id number