Passwords

What do I do if I forget my password?

To reset your password, please visit the College of Engineering forgot password page.

You'll be able to reset your password by following the instructions there.

If this doesn't work, please contact help@engineering.ucsb.edu and arrange a time to meet with an Administrator in Harold Frank Hall to get your password sorted out.

Please bring a picture ID.

How do I change my password?

If you know your password and you just want to change it to something else, please visit the account maintenance page here: https://accounts.engr.ucsb.edu/maintain/.

To change your password, go to and click on the Change Password link.

Note

The password change can take up to 30 minutes to go into effect for some login processes (Such as logging onto the windows computers)

How do I choose a good password?

Choose a password that is at least ten characters in length.

The best passwords include a mix of letters, numbers, and special characters.

Here are some examples of good and bad passwords:

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<th>Good</th>
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<tr>
<td>donuts</td>
<td>djnu7$!</td>
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<tr>
<td>1234five</td>
<td>sm00/eD</td>
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<tr>
<td>myname00</td>
<td>.44ma9nm</td>
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You can build your password around a phrase that is easy to remember.

For example, say your favorite short story was Bartleby, the Scrivener by Herman Melville.

You could use this to build several potential passwords:

b4rt1eBe or bts-HMvl or Scri>3nr

Related Articles

- What is a 'strong' password?
- Unable to log into the Windows Computers in CSIL/Auhll Student Center
- Phishing - What do I do if I clicked on a phishing link?
- Security Checklist
- How do I reset my GitHub Password?