Accessing the myCampus Portal

The myCampus Portal can be accessed using any web browser by entering “mycampus.astate.edu” in the address bar (not the search bar). The portal will provide you access to a vast array of technological tools that will assist you in your day-to-day activities, such as your campus E-mail, Self-Service Banner, and Faculty Discussion Board. By utilizing the myCampus portal as your initial point of access, you will experience single-sign on capabilities, eliminating the need for multiple passwords/pins.

To log into the portal, enter your login and password. For example, the employee login information is comprised of a username, which generally consists of a first initial and a last name, such as “jdoe”. This will be the name portion of your email address only… @astate.edu is NOT used in the login for myCampus.

Obtaining Login Information

The set-up page will allow you to obtain your Campus Wide ID and PIN information and create or reset your password.

If you are a First-Time User, or DO NOT know your ID number or PIN, you can click any of the three links on the page to access the PIN retrieval tool shown on page 3.

If you already know your Campus Wide ID number and PIN, enter it at the bottom of the set-up page, along with your desired password.

Please be sure to read the password requirements carefully, as they are designed to assist you in selecting one that is secure.

Please note, passwords successfully obtained will expire every 90 days, requiring it to be reset. Reminders will be sent to your email account regarding the expiration date.
Retrieving ID Number and PIN

To retrieve your Campus-Wide ID Number and Pin, enter your Social Security Number or Passport Number and Date of Birth as indicated, then click on submit.

NOTE: If your complete information IS NOT in the ASU system (e.g., Social Security Number and DOB provided to Human Resources), you will receive an error stating that your ID / PIN Combination could not be found.

You can now use your ID and PIN combination to create your password and access the myCampus portal (pg.2).

Helpful Hints

Password trouble? Forgot your password or need to reset it? No Problem! Go to myCampus login page at http://mycampus.astate.edu and look beneath the login box. Click on “reset password.”

Locked out? If you try the wrong password a few times and get locked out, it will be okay! Your locked account automatically unlocks in 30 minutes. Simply wait 30 minutes, then go to the myCampus login page and click on “reset password.”

Mobile devices need updating too! Be sure you have all of your mobile devices with you when you reset your password. If you have your account credentials stored in your mobile device, such as your Smart phone or tablet, the device will continue to try to login with the wrong information. This could lock your account!

Wireless access troubles after password changes: If you have changed your password and you cannot access wireless on campus, please delete your cookies. You can then login to wireless with your new password information. You may also need to delete your history and cache.

HELP! The ITS Help Desk is available to answer technical questions 24 hours a day, seven days a week! You can contact them at 870-972-3933 or by email at onlinehelp@astate.edu. You can also always visit the myCampus login page at http://mycampus.astate.edu to access the links you need to reset your password.
Portal Tools – How to Access

Located within the myCampus portal are a variety of tools that can easily be accessed to assist you in your day-to-day activities.

The majority of these tools are located beneath the QuickLaunch Navigation column on the left-hand side of the screen. If you do not see the tools, you can click the ‘Employee’ folder to expand its contents.

The most commonly used tools are Self-Service Banner, Email, and Blackboard Learn; however, depending on your role at ASU, other tools may quickly become your favorite, such as the ITS Knowledgebase!

First-Time Users will need to complete their training series by accessing the Email tool, located within the employee folder. Once inside, open the email message with the subject “Introductory Employee Seminar” to review the instructions for completing the training series. Please contact your Human Resources representative at 972-3454 for questions regarding the employee seminar or email the BANNER/Technical Support Office regarding technical issues.

Depending on the web browser you are using, the myCampus portal may display differently, based on browser settings. However, by clicking the ‘Mobile’ tab, this often gives a better view, with the option of scrolling the page.

To increase the view, use ‘control+’ To reduce, use ‘control−’. Mac users will use command instead of control.
Portal Tools – continued.

Additional tools can be found inside the various ‘Communities’… Employee, Faculty and Student. These can be accessed in a variety of ways by clicking the ‘Communities’ folder beneath the QuickLaunch Navigation, by clicking the ‘Communities’ icon located in the task bar, or by selecting the Community to which you belong, beneath the Community column on the right-hand side of the screen.

Once inside the respective community, you will see a variety of additional tools and forms designed to eliminate unnecessary paper waste, while improving overall productivity.

Tools and Forms located within the Communities include Registrar Reporting Tools, Registrar Staff Forms, ITS Forms, Grading Information, Academic Information, Transcript Access, Announcements, Message Boards, and the Daily Digest.
EMAIL INFORMATION

Establishing your Astate email address is a requirement of ASU, as this has been deemed the official means of communication for the University. By maintaining an Astate email account, various departments across campus can easily pull your account information from the Banner system in order to contact you and other like users. In addition, many departments will recognize electronic correspondence as official, provided it originates from your campus email account.

Astate email addresses vs. Personal email addresses

It is always a great practice to maintain a personal email address in addition to your astate campus email address.

Google mail is a great FREE email service that is easy to use and would be perfect for personal email use! You can easily set up a personal Google email account by visiting mail.google.com/mail/signup. When you have a Google mail account, you can access a lot of other utilities that you may like such as being able to store your files and access them anywhere!

You should provide your personal email address to individuals who are not related to your employment at ASU. (This could include family, friends, businesses, etc....) A good rule of thumb: If the individual may need to contact you after you are no longer at ASU, you should use your personal email address to be sure that you don't lose contact with them, as ASU is not able to keep email accounts active when someone leaves the university due to the requirements of state auditors.

Why we are no longer updating email addresses upon a name change:

For email archiving / e-Discovery implementation, ASU needs email addresses that remain consistent in order to maintain a constant link between an individual and their email account. When email addresses change, the existing relationship between the email user and various ASU applications, such as Blackboard and portal communities, is broken. This means there can be an interruption of service or loss of important information; therefore, changing email addresses is no longer a feasible option.

While we cannot change the email address, we can, however, change the display name! This can be initiated by Human Resources, who will then contact one of our ITS team members for processing. For instance, if Jane Smith married Mr. Jones, her email will remain ismith@astate.edu but her display name can be changed to reflect “Jane Jones.” All email sent from her account will show from Jane Jones.

ASU currently has over 2,800 faculty and staff accounts that are being managed. Simplifying the process is critical as our number of accounts continue to grow. We know not updating email addresses is not a perfect solution for many people. Many people may have a last name that they want to change for many reasons. IF there is a reason why a change to an email address MUST take place, we are not uncaring and know that there could be important exceptions. The decision will be made by ITS on whether an email is to be updated. Reasons could include a misspelling of a name in an email, etc.

Note: If at any time you change your Astate password, you must also change it on your smart device! If you don’t, it will lock out your account as it attempts to log into our system automatically, using the old password.
ASU will NEVER ask you for your password information.
DO NOT FALL FOR SPAM, SPOOFING OR PHISHING SCHEMES!

What is spam?
Spam is referred to as unsolicited bulk email messages, and can become an extreme nuisance. AKA electronic junk mail! Intentional spam is sent from individuals known as 'spammers' who are soliciting products or are attempting to commit fraud at your expense! Unintentional spam, however, originates from computers that are infected with a virus or worm, and attacks email distribution lists, sending emails without the user’s knowledge.

What is spoofing?
Spoofing can best be described as an electronic form of trickery, where the sender pretends to be someone else. This can easily be done by changing the ‘FROM’ email address. Spoofing is most often used to trick the recipient into releasing sensitive information (e.g., password).

What is phishing?
Phishing is a combination of both Spam and Spoofing, created by criminals to steal your information, rob your money, or install viruses on your computer.

Many times the phishing email messages will never address you personally (e.g., Dear User), have common misspellings or grammatical errors (these criminals are not the brightest), contain a threat (e.g., you will lose access if you don’t do the following right away), and may reference a familiar company to convince you the email is legitimate (e.g., Facebook, Yahoo, etc.).

What is spear phishing?
Spear Phishing is when the criminals use various tactics to make the fraudulent email look as if it has come from ASU. It may be a familiar name or department, or even creative use of the ASU Logo. Regardless, it puts you and ASU at risk.

Helpful Hints

- **DO NOT** provide your personal information from an email request. A real business will **never** ask you to reply to an email with your social security number, credit card info, password, or other sensitive data.
- If you are told to click a link to provide information on a web form, be sure to look at the URL of the website you end up on. Is it the real website for that company or were you directed to a fake site? (Sneaky, huh?)
- The “to” and “from” line in an email can be manipulated to say anything. Just because the email says it is from your grandma, doesn’t mean it is necessarily! Pay close attention to the actual email address!
- **DO NOT** open email attachments that you are unsure about opening. If you don’t know the sender, don’t open the attachment (or even the email for that matter if you feel really unsure about it.)
- Remember… ASU will **NEVER** ask you to provide your password…. Don’t share your password with anyone!
- If you ever receive a questionable email, delete it! Basically, if it looks bogus, it probably is… delete it!
- Use common sense…. Read up on protecting yourself on the Web! Do a Google Search! You need to protect your electronic information just as you lock your car and keep an eye on your wallet!
Voicemail Information

The Cisco IP Phones used across campus will allow you to set up voicemail for a standard greeting (everyday greeting) and an alternative greeting (holiday, vacation, etc.)

When determining what to say in your greeting, be sure to include important information such as WHO you are, a reason WHY you cannot answer the phone, WHEN you will be available, and HOW the caller can be assisted if it is an emergency. Alternate greetings can be set up to explain periods of absence without having to re-record your standard greeting.

Depending on department requirements, or personal taste, these greetings can be set up in a variety of ways (from formal to informal) and can reflect your personality. Be sure to speak clearly and slowly and in a friendly tone, as the recording may reflect a first impression of you!

Sample Greetings:

“Hello, you have reached the desk of John Doe. I am either on the phone or assisting other students. Please leave your name, ID number and telephone number, along with a brief message and I will return your call as soon as possible. If you need immediate assistance, press ‘0’ to return to our receptionist. Thank you”

“Hi! You’ve reached Jane Doe. I’m sorry I’m not able to take your call at this time, but if you would leave your name and number, I will get back to you shortly. If this is an emergency, you can press ‘0’ to return to the operator. Have a wonderful day!”

TIP: When ready to record, try typing out your greeting as a script to read from. This will make the recording process much easier….and less intimidating!

Setting up VM for the first time:

1. Press the Messages button on phone (envelope)
2. Enter 12345 as the password
3. Follow the prompts to set up your voicemail. Be sure to complete each prompt in order for your voicemail to function properly.

Changing VM from your office phone:

1. Press the Messages button on phone (envelope)
2. Enter your voicemail password
3. Press 4 for setup options
4. Press 1 for Greetings and Transfers
5. Press 1 to Change Greeting.

Changing VM from home or cell phone:

1. Call your office phone
2. While message is playing press *
3. Enter ID. The ID is the 4 digit extension number
4. Enter voicemail password
5. Press 2 to Access Mailbox
6. Press 4 for setup options
7. Press 1 for Greetings
8. Press 1 to Change Greeting.

NOTE: These instructions WILL NOT WORK unless IT Services has been informed of the email address and extension number of the person needing voicemail.

For more information regarding Cisco phones, go to http://www2.astate.edu/dotAsset/f6245b1d-a0af-460e-9a12-d64a9a347168.pdf.
The wireless network at ASU is designed as a “secondary” network that compliments the wired network infrastructure. It’s designed as a mobility enabler, not as a replacement for the wired network. Wireless doesn’t have as much bandwidth, security, or stability as the wired network, so it is highly recommended to use the wired network if possible. However, if you need to connect to ASU’s network where there isn’t a network port available or if you need to be mobile, ASU’s wireless is there for you!

ASU’s wireless network is split into three different connectivity options (or SSID’s), listed below. Remember to NEVER connect to a wireless network that is NOT one of ASU’s three SSID’s, as other wireless networks are of unknown origin and could contain serious privacy and security risks to users. Also, please remember that it is against ASU networking policies to install personal wireless access points anywhere on campus. These unauthorized access points can interfere with ASU’s wireless network and cause security issues as well.

**AstateSecure**

This is now the recommended connection for all wireless users, as it is available for use for any device that is WPA2-Enterprise capable! This includes Androids as well as many other devices such as PCs, Macs, and iDevices. It is much more secure and convenient than to connect to ASU’s wireless network and is now considered to be the recommended connection over AstateAnywhere. One of the major advantages of using AstateSecure over AstateAnywhere is AstateSecure does not use web-authentication to connect. It is always on and available to all Astate wireless users. No registration is required.


**AstateAnywhere**

This is an open wireless network that requires web-based authentication, and is now considered to be the primary connection for those devices that cannot connect using WPA2-Enterprise. After connecting to AstateAnywhere, you will need to open a web browser and attempt to browse to any HTTP (not HTTPS) website. The wireless network will redirect you to a login page. Then you will need to follow the login instructions on that page.

**AstateGuest**

This is only available in limited areas on campus and is designed to help ASU sanctioned visitors onto our wireless network with a limited amount of setup required. This SSID is NOT designed for use by Faculty, Staff, or Students; it is designed for use ONLY by ASU sanctioned visitors. This SSID is very limited in what resources that it can access, although access to VPN services and normal and secure web pages is available. For special events, this SSID can be activated anywhere on campus that there is a wireless signal. Please contact wireless@astate.edu for more information or to schedule an AstateGuest activation.

Note: If at any time you change your Astate password, you must also change it on your smart device! If you don’t, it will lock out your account as it attempts to log into our system automatically, using the old password.
MESSAGES THAT YOU MAY ENCOUNTER WHEN CONNECTING:

Windows PC:
If this error is encountered, please click “Connect.” This should only happen the first time you connect.

MAC:
Please click “Continue.” Afterwards, it will ask for the username and password for the Mac itself as if you just installed software.

iDevices:
On iPads and iPhones, you may receive this message the first time you connect…. Merely click “Accept.”

In our testing, we did not observe Androids giving an error message. However, if you have trouble connecting, please contact the ITS Helpdesk at 972-3933.

We have received several reports of people encountering disconnect and instability issues. Many of these problems have been resolved by simply updating the drivers for the problematic wireless clients. If you are experiencing these problems, please consult the webpage of your wireless client’s manufacturer for driver downloads.

If you have any questions, concerns or comments about ASU’s wireless network, please email wireless@astate.edu.

Note: If at any time you change your Astate password, you must also change it on your smart device! If you don’t, it will continue to log into the system using your old password, and end up locking your account.