

A Guide to ECE Computing Resources – Quick Reference for ECE students



The ECE computing environment is supported by the SITE team (eng-ece-site@osu.edu). We support all systems and printers in our **ECE student instructional labs** within the Dreese Lab and Caldwell Lab buildings. The computers in **DL 557** run *Linux*, and while those in **DL517, DL817 and CL260** run *Windows*.

All new ECE majors or students who registered for an ECE class during the quarter will have an **ECE domain user account** created for them around just prior to the start of the quarter. Usernames **typically** consists of your last name (truncated to the first 7 characters) and your first name's initial. *This is not always the case, especially if your last name is common.* You can confirm your username with a SITE staff member (offices @ DL552 ~ 568), or a student lab consultant by showing us your Buck-ID.

The format for the **default ECE password** is:

EE (uppercase) + last 4 digits of EMPLID + first & last initials (lowercase)

where the EMPL ID (or Student ID) number is the smaller set of **9-10 digits** on your Buck-ID card.

For example:

John Doe's EMPL ID number is **1234567890**, so his username is:

DoeJ

and his default password is:

EE7890jd

You will be prompted to change your password on the 1st login, and you must fulfill the password security requirements: [1] at least 8 characters; [2] at least 3 of 4 character types (uppercase/lowercase, numeric & special characters), [3] cannot be common dictionary words or details in your personnel records, [4] must differ from the last 24 passwords.

Your main source of information for all of the **computing resources provided** for you as an ECE student, and our **Departmental computing policies** can be found at our official web site. Please review all the information provided in our web site for more details: <https://ece.osu.edu/computing-resources>

You will be granted access to the computer labs (DL557 is open during office hours) via your **Buck-ID (keycard)**, as well as after-hours building access to Dreese and Caldwell labs. If you have trouble, please contact the SITE team as we need to submit the problem report to the University's Keycard Control. Initial keycard access setup will take up to **3 business days** after you receive your Buck-ID. For more details of your ECE student account, please review this web page: <https://ece.osu.edu/computing-resources/student-account-policies>

If you are a full-time ECE student (graduate or undergraduate) you will receive an **e-mail address** for your time studying here in OSU. All official correspondence will be sent to either one of your OSU e-mail accounts: "name.#@osu.edu" or "name.#@buckeyemail.osu.edu".

If you need more information about activating and setting up a **wireless network connection** for your personal laptops, the "osuwireless" networks in the University are managed by the **OCIO**, and the University's IT Service Desk. You can call **614-688-HELP**, or refer to the OCIO IT Services HelpDesk web sites:

<http://wireless.osu.edu>

<http://8help.osu.edu>

OSU also offers **free Wi-Fi** for visitors via their "**WiFi@OSU**" network. To get personal *one-to-one assistance* with your **wireless connection issue(s)**, please approach the "Buckeye Bar" at the Tech Hub store that is just a short walk away from the Buck-I café & Huntington Bank. You can get more information about them at <http://techhub.osu.edu>

We are very excited that you have chosen to join the *Department of Electrical & Computer Engineering* and look forward to working with you during your time here as an ECE student! Good luck with your studies, and feel free to contact the SITE team (eng-ece-site@osu.edu) with any inquiries regarding your ECE computing needs!