

## Applying for a Personal Web Page

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In the times before profile websites like facebook and twitter, the only way to make your self known was through a personal webpage. This medium is a more free method of website design in that is limited only by your knowledge of the internet language, HTML. Penn State offers to host your webpage free of charge, in exchange for a few reasonable requirements.

First, we need a web address. go to <http://www.personal.psu.edu> and click on the link to apply for a web page. It will then route you through a login screen and straight to a short quiz outlining these reasonable requirements. When you pass the quiz, you will be assigned an address for your website. It is usually the first address followed by your user name, [www.personal.psu.edu/USER1234](http://www.personal.psu.edu/USER1234). This address will not work however as you have not created the website yet.

Second, we need a place to put our website. Penn state uses a program called PASS, it is a way of uploading files to the internet. To make it easy to use, PASS is designed to look like a hard drive. Go to <https://explorer.pass.psu.edu/>, log in, and you will see the FTP called PASS.

Now, you will take your \*.html page and all associated files and upload it to the WWW folder. This is the folder that PASS will access whenever someone tries to go to your Personal Web Page. Since this person is accessing it through a web browser, the browser will immediately access the file “index.html”

Congratulations, you have now created a website! For more methods of accessing the PSU PASS, go to <http://its.psu.edu/accounts/pass/connecting-to-pass>.