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Did you know that members of the Penn community can seamlessly and securely connect their laptops, tablets, and phones to over 6,000 free wireless hotspots at universities, research centers, and other research and education institutions in more than 85 countries around the world? Penn participates in eduroam (education roaming), a global initiative that allows users (faculty, staff, students, researchers, etc.) from participating institutions to securely access the Internet from any eduroam-supporting institution.

No more scrambling for temporary or guest credentials when you visit other participating universities and institutions—in fact, enabling eduroam will allow you to skip typing passwords entirely. Your device will identify a valid eduroam access point and automatically log in, while never sharing your password with any access point or non-Penn organization. To take advantage of eduroam, be sure to first enable it on each of your computers or devices while you are still on Penn's campus network. To begin your eduroam setup visit: http://eduroam.upenn.edu

Important Notes and Links

Note that your eduroam identity must take the format "[your PennKey]@upenn.edu", which may differ from your Penn email address. Use your PennKey password as you normally would.

For more detailed information on how eduroam works, visit: https://www.isc.upenn.edu/news/eduroam-penn or <a href="https://www.isc.upenn.edu/news/edu/news/edu/news/edu/news/edu/news/edu/news/edu/news/edu

For a map of participating eduroam networks, visit: https://monitor.eduroam.org/map_service_loc.php

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