Getting an Account

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Who Uses Compute Canada

- researchers in all disciplines; from computational criminology, to aerospace engineering to personalized medicine to analysis of great works of fiction.
- projects at all scales; from individual researchers anywhere in Canada to some of the largest international research collaborations in the world
Compute Canada DataBase (CCDB)

The CCDB is a gateway to your account, usage, and allocation information.

Who can register?

- Any faculty member at a Canadian university
  - Faculty members can sponsor the students, research staff, and collaborators working on their research projects.
- Researchers from government, non-profits, and industry
How to register

1. Go to https://ccdb.computecanada.ca

2. Review & accept the Compute Canada Acceptable Use Policy (AUP)

3. Enter your user details

4. Submit your application

Note:
Applications take 2-3 days to process.
Approving Group Members

- Faculty must register first. You then provide your CCRI # to your group members / sponsored users
- The sponsored users can then register in the CCDB
- You (as the PI) must confirm and approve the group member application:
Access to Legacy Systems

- Having a CCDB account gives you instant access to Compute Canada national systems: Arbutus, Cedar and Graham.

- To use a Legacy System -- one managed by one of Compute Canada’s regional consortia -- you will need to apply for an account with the regional consortium that manages that system.

![Apply for a consortium account](image)
Account Renewals

- Compute Canada asks all users to renew their accounts on an annual basis so that it can:
  - deactivate accounts that are no longer needed
  - collect information required for funder reports

- The information collected about researchers and their results is important for Compute Canada’s reports to the Canada Foundation for Innovation and impacts the results of operational funding requests.

- Renewals generally take place from April to May each year.
Recap

- Any faculty member in Canada can register in the CCDB
  - faculty can then sponsor students, research staff, and collaborators

- Register online at https://ccdb.computecanada.ca

- Step-by-step instructions can be found on the Compute Canada website: www.computecanada.ca
  - Research Portal > Account Management > Apply for an Account

- Accounts must be renewed annually

- Questions? Email support@computecanada.ca