Windows Azure platform academic pass
Getting Started Guide
Congratulations on your Windows Azure Educator Grant!

The following slides offer a step-by-step guidance on how to redeem your Windows Azure platform academic pass.

Please have your 12 character pass code ready when you start the process.

We hope you will enjoy your experience with the Windows Azure platform.

Windows Azure in Education Team
Step #1 – Ensure email won’t be blocked

Add admin@windowsazurepassadmin.com to your email contact list to ensure all email communications are not blocked by your SPAM/Junk filters.
Step #2 - Redeem Your Pass
Go to www.WindowsAzurePass.com/azureu

Includes the following resources:

**Windows Azure**
- 2 small compute instances
- 35GB of storage
- 50,000,000 storage transactions
- 10 Shared WebSites
- 10 Shared Mobile Services

**SQL Azure**
- Two 1GB Web Edition database

**AppFabric**
- 750 Service Bus Relay hours
- 250,000 Service Bus Messages

**Data Transfers**
- 8 GB in
- 8 GB out
Step #2 – Sign in

Windows Azure Pass

The Windows Azure Pass includes the following resources:

**Windows Azure**
- 3 Small Compute Instances
- 3 GB of Storage
- 250,000 Storage Transactions

**SQL Azure**
- Two 1 GB Web Edition Database

**AppFabric**
- 100,000 Access Control Transactions
- 2 Bus Service Connections

**Data Transfers**
- 3 GB In
- 3 GB Out

To continue please sign into Windows Live, fill out the remaining information, then click submit.

Sign In
Step #3 – Register and redeem your code

PLEASE NOTE:
- Pass is valid for 150 Days from the date when your account is activated.
- All DATA is WIPED at end of 150 Days
- Reminder/expiration warning emails will be sent:
  - T-15 days
  - T-10 days
  - T-3 day
  - T-1 day
Step #4 – Accept Terms of Use

Terms of Use Agreement Page

Successful Registration Page
Email #1 - Confirmation: Request Received

Subject: Windows Azure Pass request

Dear [Name]

Thank you! Your Windows Azure Pass request has been accepted.

You should receive your login in 2-3 business days. If you do not receive your login, first try logging into the Windows Azure Management console at www.WindowsAzure.com with the Windows LiveID you used when redeeming your pass. If this does not work then please email us at AzureU@microsoft.com with your full name, Windows LiveID, and your Institution name.

In the meantime, feel free to familiarize yourself with the Windows Azure platform so that you can hit the ground running:

- Download Windows Azure Tools and start building your applications.
- Learn how to create an ASP.NET application.
- Explore curriculum resources for Introduction to Cloud Computing
  
  See how to deploy and run your sample application.

Thank you,

The Windows Azure in Education Team
AzureU@microsoft.com

Review the Windows Azure Pass Privacy Policy and Terms of Use.
Email #2 - Account Activated (2-3 Days After)

Subject: Your Windows Azure Pass is active!

Dear [name]

Congratulations! Your Windows Azure Pass has been activated.

To get started, sign into the developer portal using your Windows Live ID.

If you would like to purchase a Windows Azure subscription please visit {Transition Link(Azure Account)}.

Keep in mind, if you choose not to convert your account to a paid subscription your pass will expire on [ExpirationDate], at which time all of your data will be erased. Please be sure to move any applications or data before your trial expires.

We hope you enjoy your Windows Azure experience.

Thank you,
The Windows Azure in Education Team

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Review the Windows Azure Pass Privacy Policy and Terms of Use.
Subject: Expiration Notice: Your Windows Azure Pass

Dear [name],

Your Windows Azure Pass will expire on [ExpirationDate].

If you would like to purchase a Windows Azure subscription please visit [Transition Link].

Keep in mind, if you choose not to convert your account to a paid subscription all of your data will be erased when your pass expires. If you choose not to extend your Pass, please be sure to back up or migrate your data.

We hope you are enjoying Windows Azure, and have discovered its many powerful features.

Thank you,

The Windows Azure in Education Team

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Need support?

For **technical issues**, please leverage the support channels available to you here:

http://www.windowsazure.com/en-us/support/contact/

For all other issues, please contact AzureU@microsoft.com
Azure Learning Materials

Get the Tools

- Download Windows Azure Tools for Microsoft Visual Studio
- Download Microsoft Web Platform Installer

Dig Deeper into the Windows Azure Platform

- Download the Windows Azure Platform Training Kit
- Visit the Cloud Developer Center on MSDN
- Windows Azure Platform code samples on CodePlex (open source code)

Use the online training below to learn more about the Windows Azure Platform:

- Curriculum Resources - Azure Curriculum Resources
- Build your first Windows Azure Application following this Quick Start Tutorial
- Learn why Windows Azure is a great cloud computing platform with these fun videos
- View the series of Web seminars designed to quickly immerse you in the world of the Windows Azure Platform
- Learn about SQL Azure Database video
- Learn about PHP on Windows Azure
Microsoft programs for Students and Faculty

- Microsoft.com/student
- Imagine Cup
- DreamSpark
- Microsoft Student Partners (MSP)
- Student Tech Clubs
- Students to Business (S2B)
- Faculty Connection