

Connecting to Brown University's Wireless Networks

Brown has two wireless internet networks: "Brown" and "Brown-Guest." In order to connect to "Brown," you must have a Brown user account, which you will create when activating your Brown ID card.

1. Connecting to Brown-Guest

If you are a guest or have not yet set up "Brown" on your device, you must connect using "Brown-Guest." Using the device you'd like to connect, choose the wireless network Brown-Guest from your list of wireless networks. When you open a web browser, you will be prompted to accept the guest network terms of use to start using the Internet. (On some computers, like Mac OS, the terms of use window will open automatically after connecting.)

You cannot access library resources and some other Brown resources using Brown-Guest. For these reasons, we recommend everyone with a Brown user account use "Brown" wireless (see instructions below.)

2. Activate Your Brown ID/Create your Brown User Account

Visit <http://activate.brown.edu> and follow the instructions to activate your Brown ID card and create your Brown user account and password.

Note: When prompted for your ID number, it is the 9 digit number above your photograph on the Brown ID card. You only need to activate your Brown ID card once.

3. Connecting to Brown

In order to connect to "Brown" secure wireless network, you must first have activated your Brown ID and created your user account in step #2. At this point, connect first to "Brown-Guest" (see step #1) and visit <http://wifi.brown.edu>. This website will walk you through configuring your device for Brown wireless.

Once you've selected to accept the terms of the End User License Agreement, this page will take you through the configuration step by step. After this initial configuration, in most cases, you will be automatically connected to "Brown" when in range of the network. If not, you can manually choose "Brown" from your list of wireless networks.

If you have questions about these instructions or require further assistance, please contact the ICERM IT staff by dropping by the administrative offices, emailing support@icerm.brown.edu, or calling 3-5017 from your office phone.