Wireless Access for UofL Visitors

Brief overview of the available wireless network options available at UofL

Every day, UofL hosts many visitors and guests who need wireless access. They include:

- Prospective students and their families
- Vendors attending meetings on campus
- Alumni and other visitors
- Conference attendees

Three types of wireless access are available, depending upon who you are:

- **ulvisitor** (for visitors; short-term use, limited internet functionality)
- **ulsponsor** (full-service unencrypted network access for up to 30 days; requires a UofL sponsor)
- **ulsecure** (requires an valid ulink username/password, preferred network for UofL student, faculty, staff)

UofL Visitor wireless access (ulvisitor)

With the ulvisitor network, you can use the university’s wireless network to access the Internet while on-campus. The ulvisitor network offers sessions limited to 6 hours. The sessions will automatically log out after 30 minutes of inactivity. Services are limited to HTTP, HTTPS.

**How to get online**

To use the ulvisitor service on campus:

1. Select the SSID **ulvisitor** from your device’s list of available wireless networks.
2. Open a browser and load any URL; you will be redirected to an access page (on some mobile devices, the access page should open automatically).
3. Enter a valid email address
4. Click **Accept** to acknowledge the terms of use. Your browser will be sent to a confirmation page and from there you can get online.

**NOTE:** If your home page is set to a secure web page (a page with a url that starts with "https://"), then ulvisitor wireless will be unable to redirect your browser to our login page. Changing your home page setting to a non-protected page should correct this problem. (i.e. http://facebook.com, http://wave3.com, http://www.gocards.com) These are just a few examples of non https:// that will allow browser redirection to work. Browser redirection to the login page is known to not work if either of the following are true: 1) If the website you are trying to visit does not exist or is offline; 2) **If you are trying to visit an SSL encrypted site.** However, once authenticated, the SSL sites will work; this is only a limitation on the redirect to the login page.

Sponsored wireless guest access (ulsponsor)

Sponsorship is required for a guest that requires less restrictive access. Any UofL faculty or administrative staff member are able to create wireless guest network accounts. To sponsor a guest please submit a Sponsored Account Request.

The guest network account may be made active for up to 30 days. If your guest requires an account for more than 30 days you can simply extend the guest account duration.

**Note:** as a UofL guest account sponsor, you are responsible for your guests’ Internet use as well as any reported misuse.

**Request Sponsored Account**

**How to get online**

To access sponsored wireless guest service:

1. Select the SSID **ulsponsor** from your device’s list of available wireless networks.
2. Open a browser and load any URL to display a UofL guest log in page.
3. Log in with your sponsored guest user name and password. After you log in, you can use Internet services and web browsing as you would at a public venue such as Starbucks.

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**Wireless Guides for Sponsored Accounts:**

- Windows
- Mac OS X
- iOS
Secure wireless access (ulsecure)

This secure, campus-wide service allows students, faculty, and staff AES encrypted access to UofL campus resources

How to get online

To use the ulsecure service on campus:

1. Select the SSID ulsecure from your device's list of available wireless networks.
2. Enter your ulink user name at the prompt, and your ulink password.
3. Accept the ulsecure certificate and authenticate your device, if prompted.