

Activating Your NetID

At Texas A&M University at Qatar (TAMUQ), students, faculty and staff use a number of resources on the Texas A&M University main campus that require access using your NetID. These services include Blackboard Vista (formerly WebCT), MyRecord, Evans Library resources, and official TAMU email. You also need your NetID to access HRIS and change a forgotten or expired TAMUQ password.

You can activate your NetID through the Aggie Computing Gateway at <http://gateway.tamu.edu>. You will need to know your University Identification Number (UIN) and birthdate.

1. Open any web browser and go to the web address: <http://gateway.tamu.edu>
2. In the center column labeled, *NETID ACCOUNT MANAGEMENT*, click on **Activate NetID** (Figure 1).

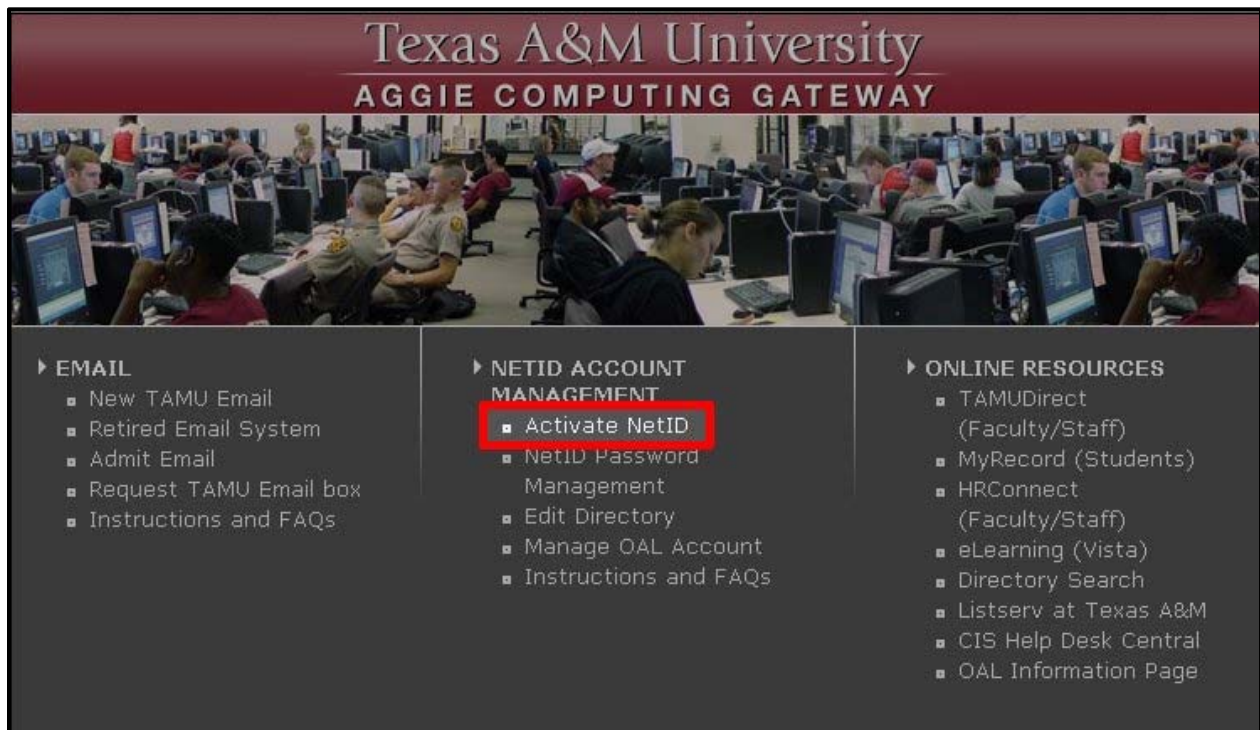


Figure 1: Click "Activate NetID"

3. Type in your **Universal Identification Number (UIN)**, use the drop-down boxes to select your **Birthdate**, and then click **Log in** (Figure 2).

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Aggie Gateway Central Authentication Service Webmail Login

Welcome to NetID Activation. Your Texas A&M NetID is the username needed to log in and access many university resources. Before your account can be activated, you will need to:

1. Log in using your Universal Identification Number (UIN) and birth date.
2. Choose a NetID.
3. Select a password.

Upon successful activation, the NetID will be set as your primary(published) email address.

To begin the process, enter your UIN and birth date, then click Log In.

What's your UIN:

What's your Birthdate:
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Log in

Figure 2: Enter UIN and Birthdate

4. Enter your desired NetID and click **Submit** (Figure 3).

Note: We strongly recommend that your NetID be the same as your TAMUQ username (firstname.lastname).

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Your NetID **must**:

- be at least three (3) and at most sixty-four (64) characters long.
- begin with a letter.
- contain only the following characters: a-z, 0-9, dot(.), dash(-) and underscore(_).

Once you choose a NetID and click Submit to proceed, the system will check your choice to make sure it follows the above rules. If it does, you will then proceed to selecting a password; if not, you will be asked to choose again.

Choose a NetID and click Submit to proceed.

NetID:

Submit **Cancel**

Figure 3: Enter your desired NetID

5. Set a password for your NetID. Enter it again to confirm your password, and then click **Submit Password**. Be sure to follow the password criteria listed above the password entry form (Figure 4).

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Now that you have chosen a NetID, you need to select a password. A good password should be difficult to guess, yet easy to remember (without having to write it down). While we cannot tell you when a password is too difficult to remember, we do have some [guidelines](#) for making a password that is not too easy to guess.

Your password **must**:

- be at least eight (8) and at most thirty-two (32) characters long
- begin with a letter
- contain at least one (1) number
- contain only the following characters: a-z, A-Z, 0-9, `~!@#%^&*()-_+=[{}]\|;:'.<.>?/

For more information about NetID passwords, see the [NetID Password Expiration FAQ](#).

Enter and re-enter your password, then click Submit.

New Password:

Confirm New Password:

Figure 4: Create a password

6. You have now created your NetID (Figure 5). You can view a list of university resources that can be accessed by NetID at <http://cis.tamu.edu/netid/netidServices.php>

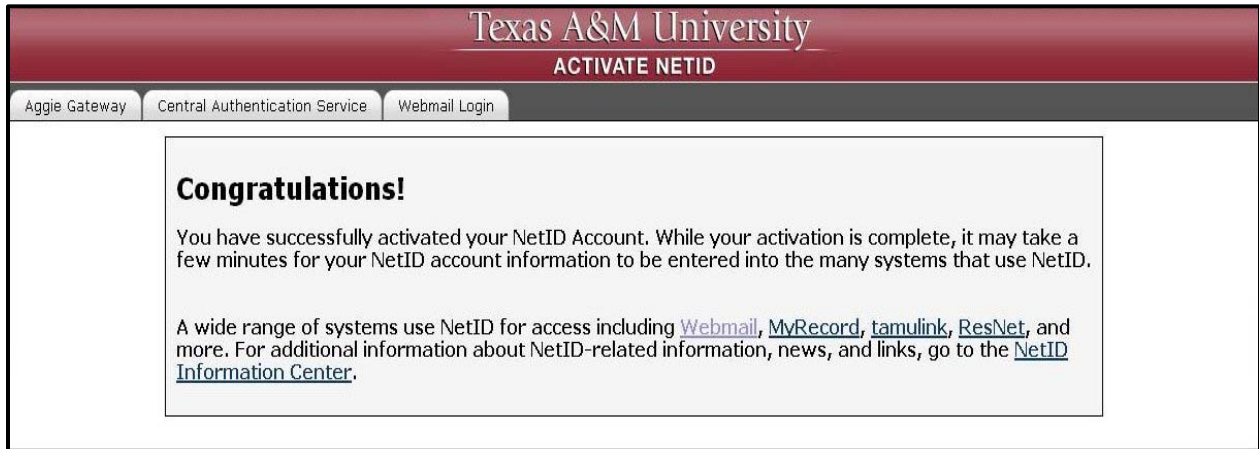


Figure 5: NetID Successfully Created