

TACACS – Windows Vista

Dial-up Internet Installation Guide

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General Information about TACACS

Description

TACACS is an authentication system TAMU-Commerce uses to ensure that only our students, faculty and staff are using the dial-up modems. Anyone wishing to connect to the Internet or TAMU-Commerce services (E-mail, World Wide Web, On-Line Library Network, MyLeo, etc.) via dial-up service through the University will need a TACACS account. *TACACS is not an e-mail account.*

TAMU-Commerce operates four Ascend MAX 4000 with a total of 168 V.90/K56 modems to handle all dial-in traffic. Connect speeds up to 57,600bps are possible, but the rate may be limited by your proximity to your Central Office phone switch and line quality/noise.

Phone Numbers

Commerce: 903-886-8092 Residence Halls: 9,903-886-8092

Changing Your TACACS Password

From Netscape, Internet Explorer, or any other web browser, open the URL: <http://www.tamu-commerce.edu/ctis/tacacs/chgtacpasswd.html> and then follow the on-screen instructions. If you forget your TACACS password, you will need to visit the Technology Services front desk with a picture ID to obtain your password. *Technology Services cannot give passwords over the phone.*

Requirements

Please make sure your computer meets the following requirements:

- At least a 14.4 kbps modem. Most new computers come with a 56kbps modem. TAMU-Commerce supports K56 and V.90 modems.
- You may need your Windows Vista DVD.

Setup Procedures for Windows VISTA

Make sure you are logged on as a user with Administrative access. Go to your **Start** button on your windows toolbar (usually found at the bottom of your screen). Then choose **Control Panel**, then **Network and Internet**, then **Dial-Up**, and then **Connect using Dial-Up Modem or ISDN**.

- If prompted, enter your Area Code.
- Enter one of the above phone numbers AS A 10-digit PHONE NUMBER.
- Enter your UserName and Password.
- Check the box (optional) if you want Windows to remember your password.

- Name the connection TAMU-Commerce or give it another meaningful name
- If you want others who are logged onto the computer to be able to use this connection, check the box to allow this to happen.
- Click **Connect**

Congratulations, you are all done! To connect to the Internet, run **Internet Explorer** from the **Start Menu** and choose **Connect**.

Questions and Problems

If you have any problems or questions while setting up your connection, contact the CTIS help desk using any of the methods below.

Phone: 903-468-6000

E-mail: tacacs@tamu-commerce.edu

Web: <http://www.tamu-commerce.edu/ctis/tacacs>