

Go to <https://pchanger.williams.edu>. Before the actual change page, you will see the passphrase strength meter page which will give you tips on setting a secure password.

# Williams

## Williams Passphrase Strength Meter

**VERY IMPORTANT** - make this passphrase unique! Do not let this passphrase be the same as one you have used anywhere else whether it's your banking, shopping or even your local library.

In the new system you **MUST**:

- Have a passphrase at least **12 characters** long. Try using a passphrase consisting of more than one word for added security and to make it easier to remember.
- Include at least one **lower case** letter
- Include at least one **upper case** letter, preferably in the middle of the phrase.
- Include at least one **number**, also preferably in the middle of the phrase.

We **STRONGLY RECOMMEND** that you also:

- Include a special character
- Don't just use simple words, add numbers and upper case letters
- Don't use names of people or pets in the passphrase as these can be more easily guessed by hackers

When you have created a strong passphrase [click here](#) to go to the password/passphrase portal to change your passphrase. You will need to enter your current password/passphrase first.

Click "Show Detail" to see how your proposed passphrase is being evaluated.

Test Your Passphrase		Minimum Requirements
Passphrase:	<input type="text"/>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Minimum 12 characters in length</li><li>• Contains the following items:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- One or more uppercase Letters</li><li>- One or more lowercase Letters</li><li>- One or more numbers</li></ul></li></ul>
Hide:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Score:	<div style="background-color: red; width: 100%; text-align: center; color: white;">0%</div>	
Complexity:	Too Short	
<input type="button" value="Show Detail"/>		<input type="button" value="Hide Detail"/>

Using the Williams network ID and password in the last step, change your password to something you prefer.

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Username: vb11 Password: ●●●●●●●●

→ [Forgot Password?](#)

**N** Login

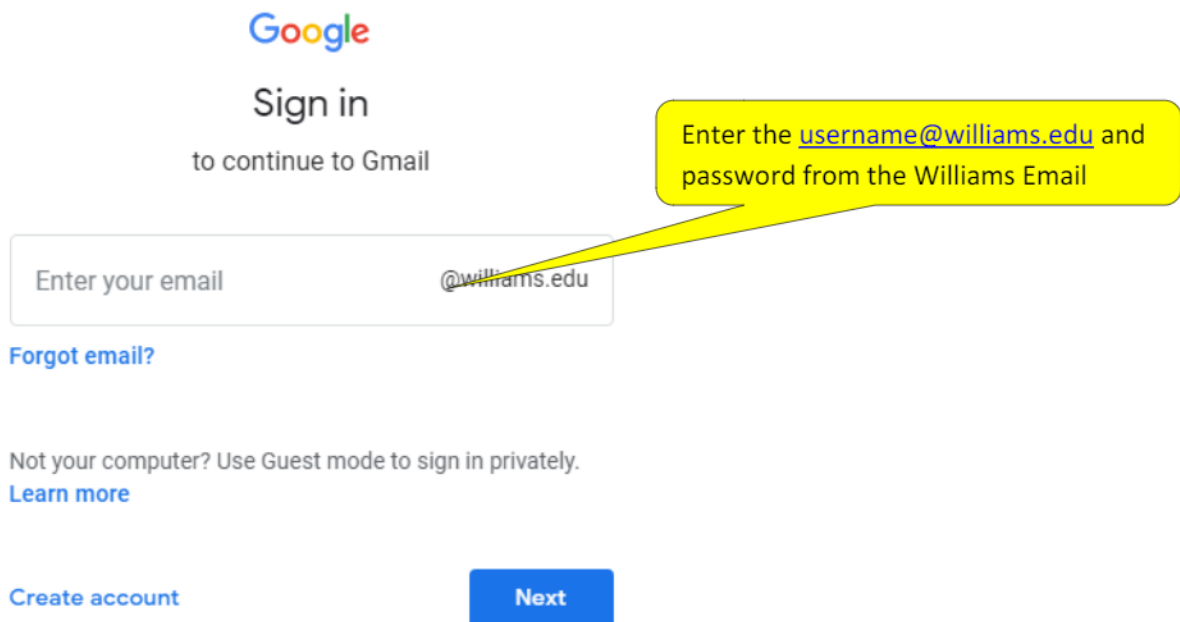
Enter the username and password from the Williams Email Userid page.

Note: If you have just changed your password using pchanger, allow up to 15 minutes for the change to take place.

### **Services that use your Williams network id and password/passphrase:**

- Email and other Google services
- GLOW courseware
- Mediat Student Portal
- Remote Access To Library Databases (the proxy server)
- OIT software downloads
- VPN (virtual private network)
- Wireless network access (to Purple Air, Eduroam)
- Printing (PaperCut)
- On-campus network file services
- Many WSO services
- Unix

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The image shows a screenshot of the Google Sign in page. At the top, the Google logo is displayed in its multi-colored font. Below it, the text "Sign in" is centered, followed by "to continue to Gmail". A text input field is present with the placeholder text "Enter your email" and a dropdown menu showing "@williams.edu". A yellow callout box with a pointer to the input field contains the text: "Enter the [username@williams.edu](mailto:username@williams.edu) and password from the Williams Email". Below the input field, there is a link "Forgot email?". Further down, there is a note: "Not your computer? Use Guest mode to sign in privately." with a link "Learn more". At the bottom, there is a link "Create account" and a blue button labeled "Next".

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