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.

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

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
- Medicat 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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