Home Wireless Router Setup - As more and more devices are able to connect to wireless networks, setting up a wireless router has become a crucial step for virtually any home network.

The best place to locate your wireless router to provide the most even coverage is in an open area in the center of your home. Do not put a wireless node in a Wi-Fi dead spot—it will not be able to connect to your network. Instead, place the node where its wireless signal can reach that dead spot.

Follow these steps to setup your router:
1. Make sure the router is turned OFF.
2. Make sure the router’s network cable is connected to the INTERNET or WAN port on the back, and then plug the other end into the BOTTOM network jack only.
3. Turn on the router and wait a minimum of 10 MINUTES.
4. From your laptop, make sure you are now connected to your router’s Wi-Fi network.
5. Visit this website FIRST: https://oit.uci.edu/reg and select the EXPRESS REGISTRATION option.
6. Follow the instructions by logging in with your UCNetID and password.
7. WAIT 5-10 MINUTES for your router to complete the registration process.

Some router brands will not pass the correct device MAC address during the Express Registration step. At that point, you will need to manually register. Reach out to your device manufacturer for support identifying the MAC address as it is not always the same as it is on the device or box.

Please think twice before sharing your router’s wi-fi password with anyone as you will be held responsible for whatever content they download while connected to your wi-fi network.

For more information, visit: https://www.oit.uci.edu/resnet/router-setup/.

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