The CS240 Course Servers

The course servers for this class are cs-240a.cs.uidaho.edu and cs-240b.cs.uidaho.edu. These servers are administered by the Computer Science department. If you encounter problems with the servers, please send an email to cshelp@uidaho.edu and let your instructor know as soon as possible.

When connecting to a course server, use the same login ID and password that you normally use to get access to your UI email account. You can use programs such as ssh, sftp, and PuTTY to connect to the course server.

Connecting to the Course Server From Off Campus

In order to connect to the course server from off campus, you will be required to gain access to the Virtual Private Network (VPN) that is offered by the University of Idaho. This VPN is free. Instructions on how to request a VPN client and install it on your computer are located at

https://support.uidaho.edu/TDClient/40/Portal/Requests/ServiceDet?ID=599

Once the VPN client is installed, you can use ssh, sftp, or PuTTY to connect to the course server. The following is an example that uses the ssh (Secure Shell) program to connect to the course server. This program is available in Linux and macOS. In this example, the user attempts to connect to the course server using the username “fakename”. After the connection request is made, the server responds and asks for the user’s password. When the user enters the correct password, the server prompt “-bash-4.2$” appears and the user is connected to the server.

# ssh fakename@cs-240a.cs.uidaho.edu
fakename@cs-240a.cs.uidaho.edu’s password: *******
-bash-4.2$