Why Get a Mason G#

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Instructions for OLLI Members

Obtaining Your George Mason “G number”,
Photo ID Card and Activating your Patriot Pass Account (Mason email)

Complete the Application for George Mason University Affiliate “G Number” and Photo ID. The application must be completed in its entirety, including Social Security number – George Mason will not process an Affiliate Identification without a Social Security number.

Send or drop off your completed form to the OLLI office at Tallwood, 4210 Roberts Road, Fairfax, VA 22032.

We will mail you your G number and George Mason email address when we have received them from the university. Follow the directions to obtain your GMU Photo ID card below based on your location.

For Members Who Live Near Fairfax

Take your G# and a photo ID to the George Mason Photo ID office located in Student Union Building (SUB) I on the Fairfax campus, basement room 1203.

It is best to park in the Mason Pond Parking Deck and walk the short distance to SUB I.

The Photo ID office will take your picture and provide you with a Mason ID card.
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For Members Who Live Near Loudoun

Take your G# to the Loudoun location
Photos will be taken by George Mason University operations staff between 8:30am – 4:00pm, Monday through Friday at the front desk in Suite 130 of the new facility. You must bring your G number with you as photos cannot be taken without your G number.

You will be notified when your ID is ready for pickup at the Loudoun location.

Activating your Patriot Pass Account (Mason email)

In your internet browser type: password.gmu.edu

Select Option 1 to activate your Patriot Pass account.
Enter your G# and your claim code (see below).
NOTE: The default claim code is your six-digit date of birth in the MMDDYY format.

If you have questions, you may call the Mason IT department at: 703-993-8870.
Some Digital Services Provided By Local Libraries

- You can become a member of any regional VA library and the DC library
- VA State Digital Subscription Service
  - All VA Libraries
  - NY Times, Many Magazines
- Example Additions of Individual Counties and DC
  - Financial Site (Fairfax)
  - Lynda.com (Arlington, Loudoun)
  - Additional Magazines (DC)
Some Mason Services Available With Your G#

- **Learning**
  - Library
  - Auditing a Course
  - Lynda.com
  - Rosetta Stone

- **Video**
  - Great Courses
  - Classic Movies
  - Documentaries

- **Newspapers**
  - Wall Street Journal
  - Financial Times
  - New York Times

- **Mason Parking Pass**
  - $15/yr
  - Handicap Rules
GMU Library Databases and Sources

● Compiled Topics and Pro/Con Articles

● InfoGuides
  ○ [http://infoguides.gmu.edu/](http://infoguides.gmu.edu/)

● Databases
  ○ Subject Index
  ○ JSTOR

● Articles and Journals
GMU Access to Lynda.com

● Education Videos
  ○ Free with Mason logon - ordinarily $25/month
  ○ Wide range of classes are available
  ○ Go to lynda.com on Internet to check out the range of classes available

● Access at Lynda.gmu.edu
  ○ Sign in with your ‘Mason NetID” login
  ○ Information: https://lynda.gmu.edu/about/

● Using your mobile device
  ○ https://lynda.gmu.edu/mobile/
GMU Access to Rosetta Stone

- Language Learning Tool

- Access Thru Mason Library
  - [http://library.gmu.edu/use/tech/rosetta](http://library.gmu.edu/use/tech/rosetta)
GMU Access to Videos

● Kanopy Streaming Media

○ GMU Intro:  
  http://mediaservices.gmu.edu/?p=1606

○ Kanopy:  
  http://gmu.kanopystreaming.com/
GMU Access to Newspapers

● FREE
  ○ News Via Library Access
    ■ [http://infowiz.gmu.edu/dbs/subjects/news](http://infowiz.gmu.edu/dbs/subjects/news)
  ○ Internet Access
    ■ Must use gmu email account for signup
    ■ Financial Times
      ● Establish Account at
        ○ [https://join.ft.com/8cb7d4f9-fe3e-402b-8d00-1771aca616bc](https://join.ft.com/8cb7d4f9-fe3e-402b-8d00-1771aca616bc)
      ● Or Access Directly thru GMU
        ○ [https://www-ft-com.mutex.gmu.edu](https://www-ft-com.mutex.gmu.edu)
  ■ New York Times
    ● Establish Account at
      ○ [https://www-nytimes-com.mutex.gmu.edu/](https://www-nytimes-com.mutex.gmu.edu/)
Newspapers (cont’d)

● Not totally free, but really cheap
  ○ Wall Street Journal - both delivered and Internet access
    ■ $50 first year, then $4/month
    ■ eMail MUST use your “gmu.edu” account