

The magnified area in the center of the screenshot is where the Wireless icon is located. And, this is where we'll start.



Step 1: Locate the Airport Status icon



AirPort status icon: Picture of a triangle comprised of four semi-circular lines. The number of darkened lines correspond to the signal strength. The icon is located in the top right-hand corner of your screen, as shown above.



AirPort is turned off/disabled. No semicircular lines are visible. To turn AirPort on, please click on the icon and select "Turn AirPort On" from the menu that appears.



AirPort is turned on, though most likely has not established a connection with a network. All semicircular lines are greyed out. To connect to a network, please follow the steps in this Guide.



AirPort is turned on and has established a connection with a network. In this case, signal strength is excellent because all four lines are darkened. To see what network you're connected to, please click on the icon and look at the menu item with a checkmark item next to it. The checkmarked item is the name of the network you're connected to.

Now, if you do not see the icon, there are two possibilities:

1. The AirPort Status icon has been set to not appear in the Menu bar. To fix this, please do the following:
 - Open the System Preferences window (click on the Apple icon in the top left-hand corner and select the "System Preferences..." menu item)
 - Click on the "Network" icon to bring up the corresponding preferences
 - Check the box next to the text "Show AirPort status in the menu bar". If required, click on the "Apply Now" button.
2. If you have an external card, the card might not have been plugged in properly. Try re-inserting the card.
3. Now, when you clicked on the AirPort Status icon, a drop-down menu like the one shown to the right should appear.
4. **If you do see "eGCC" listed**, then simply click on the name "eGCC" to connect. If connection is successful, you will see the AirPort Status icon's lines darken (see Step 1). If this doesn't work, please proceed through this Guide.
5. **If you do not see "eGCC" listed**, then please select the "Open Internet Connect..." menu item to setup the "eGCC" network.



If you clicked "Open Internet Connect..." in Step 2, the window below should have appeared, already on the section corresponding to AirPort Settings.



Here, we're going to enter in the information needed to set up our wireless connection to "eGCC".

1. Select the drop-down box next to "Network", such that you see the window to the bottom left. Please select the "Other..." menu item from this drop-down list.



2. You should now see the box pictured to the bottom right. In this box, please type **eGCC** in the "Network Name" box, and ensure that **None** is selected for "Wireless Security". Once you ensure that the window on your computer looks the same as this one, please click on the "OK" button to save your configuration settings for "eGCC".



3. In the same box noted in Step 3 - Item 3, a small message will appear in the bottom left-hand corner of the window that says "Starting Connection."

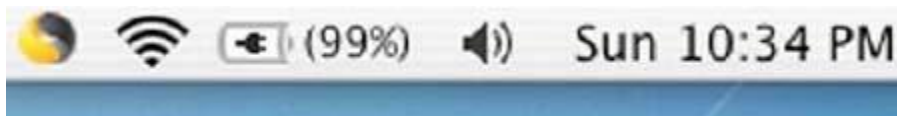


- This is what you'll see if your connection to eGCC was successful. If you see this, please close the window by clicking on the red button in the top left-hand corner of the window, and proceed to Step 5.



- This is what you'll see if your connection was not successful. If you see this box, first try clicking "Try Again", as the network could go down for a few seconds at any time. If after a few times it still doesn't work, please click "OK" and then go back to Step 3.
- If you're still unable to connect, please stop by GCC's Helpdesk, located in High Tech 1, for further assistance. The problem may be as simple as the network not being available in a certain part of campus.

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Assuming all is well and all steps were followed, you should see the AirPort Status icon in the state shown above. Of course, the signal strength will depend on where you are on campus.

To finish, please open your favorite browser's window (IE Mac, Safari, etc). You might see a warning box appear, stating that you're either entering a secure website or the site's certificate has expired. If you see such a dialog box, please click "Close" or "OK" to proceed to the GCC Wireless Logon page. Type in your eGCC Username and Password, and click the "Logon" button. Upon authentication, you should now be able to surf the web.