



Request for Administrative Privileges

The University of Leeds faces ever-changing and increasing risks to its data and IT security. These include malicious software unintentionally installed on University computers; the use of unlicensed software; and exploitation of weaknesses in the University's IT security through targeted attacks. Issuing administrative privileges to non-IT staff significantly increases the risk of security policies and standards being bypassed; malicious software being installed; unlicensed software being used; and increases the impact of targeted attacks on University IT security. If a member of staff believes they need administrative rights, this should be discussed with the IT service to find alternatives to meet their requirements. Administrative privileges on University owned IT devices will only be granted if no other alternative exists, and with the authorisation of the University's Director of IT services. This applies all University of Leeds owned IT devices regardless of operating system.

Applicant

To be completed by applicant

Name Tom Kelly

Computer Name comp-pc6205

This can be found by going to <http://mypc.leeds.ac.uk>

Username scstke

Date 10/23/2018

Faculty/Service Computing

Reason for Request

- I need to run nvidia-docker to work on existing research projects with collaborators
 - <https://github.com/twak/bikegan>
 - <https://github.com/jfemiani/facade-segmentation>
- Our major research output over the last 5 years is primarily supported on Ubuntu
 - <https://github.com/twak/chordatlas>
- Researching computer graphics requires experimenting with many different systems in many different languages. On a typical afternoon, I may install test and delete 4 different systems which run in different environments. Each of these may require root access to install. The IT organisation at Leeds does not allow me to do this:
 - It took me 3 weeks to get access to a local hard drive on my computer INC0172177
 - IT failed to get me a working copy of Visual studio over 3 week (RITM0182668 + RITM0185195)
- I will use my UoL laptop for handling sensitive data
- I will install Ubuntu, and if required encrypt the disk with dm-crypt

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IT Services

To be completed by Faculty IT Manager/Head of IT Services or Nominee

IT Service representative to discuss request with applicant and identify alternatives to issuing administrative rights. Application to be submitted if no alternative can be found and reason for submission noted below.

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