How to Connect to SOU-Wireless (Windows)

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SOU has recently updated the Wi-Fi options available for faculty, staff, and students. Note: SOU Employees using SOU equipment should be using SOU-Secure. Contact your computing coordinator if you have questions about which network to connect to.

This guide will cover SOU-Guest and SOU-Wireless. In short, SOU-Guest will not require you to log in, while SOU-Wireless will.

SOU-Guest is the preferred Wi-Fi for mobile devices such as phones due to not having to authenticate. It has a 20Mbps bandwidth limit, and will allow you to reach publicly facing web servers.
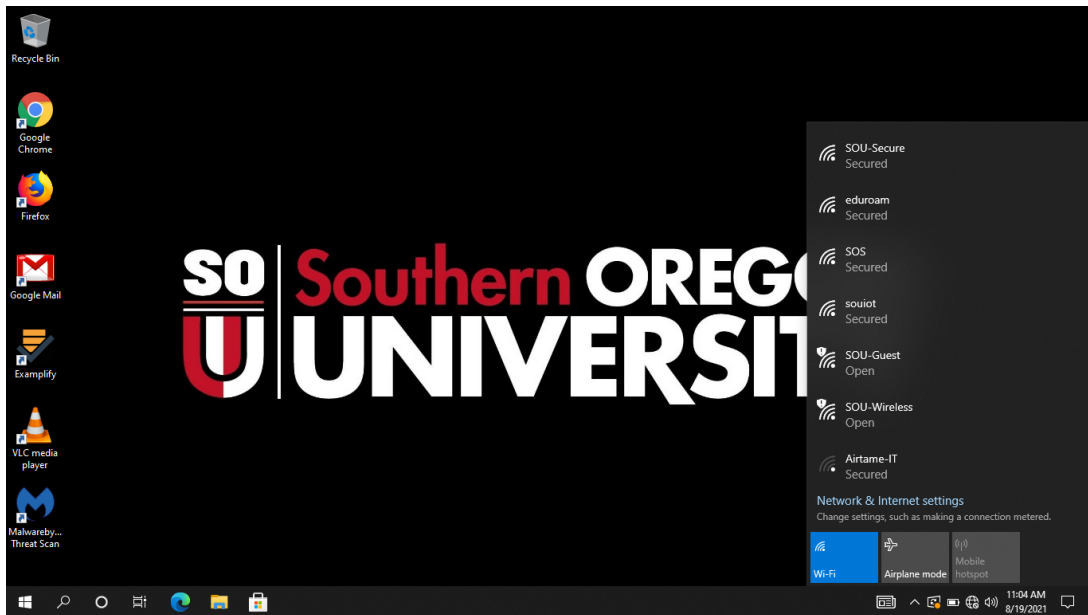
SOU-Wireless requires you to authenticate each day you are on campus. It doesn't have an imposed bandwidth limit, and will let you access much of the internal SOU network.

How to connect on a Windows computer:

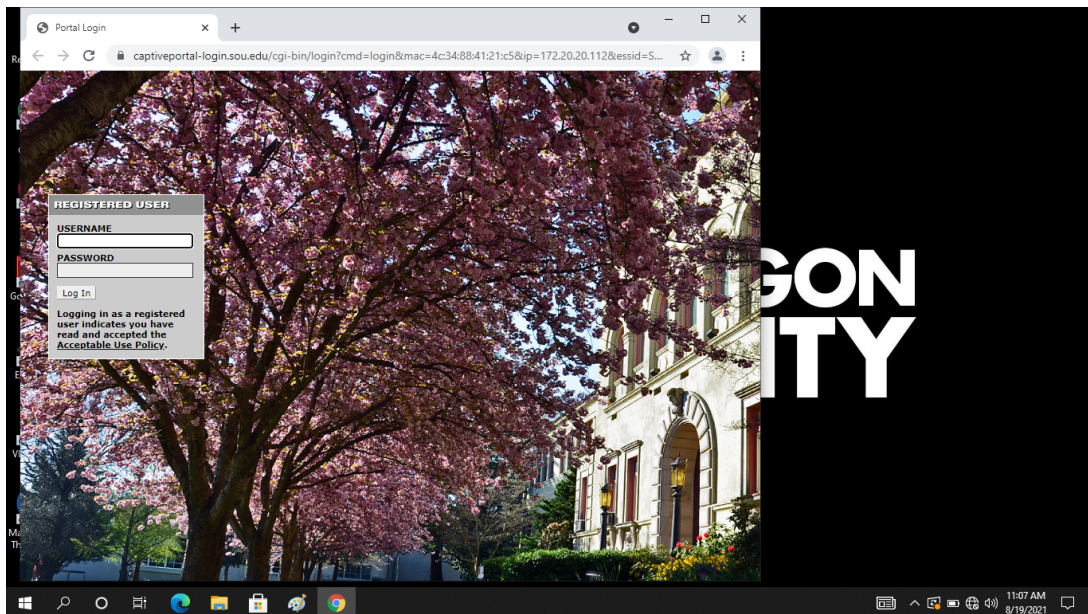To connect to a Wi-Fi network through the taskbar, use these steps:

1. Click the **Network** icon in the bottom-right corner of the taskbar.
   Quick note: Alternatively, you can open Action Center (**Windows key + A**), and then click the **Network** button in the Quick actions section to access the network flyout. If you don't see the button, click the up arrow button on the left.
2. Select the wireless network to connect.
3. (Optional) Check the **Connect automatically** option.
4. Click the **Connect** button.

Quick tip: If you do not see any wireless access point in the list, click the Wi-Fi button to turn on the adapter.
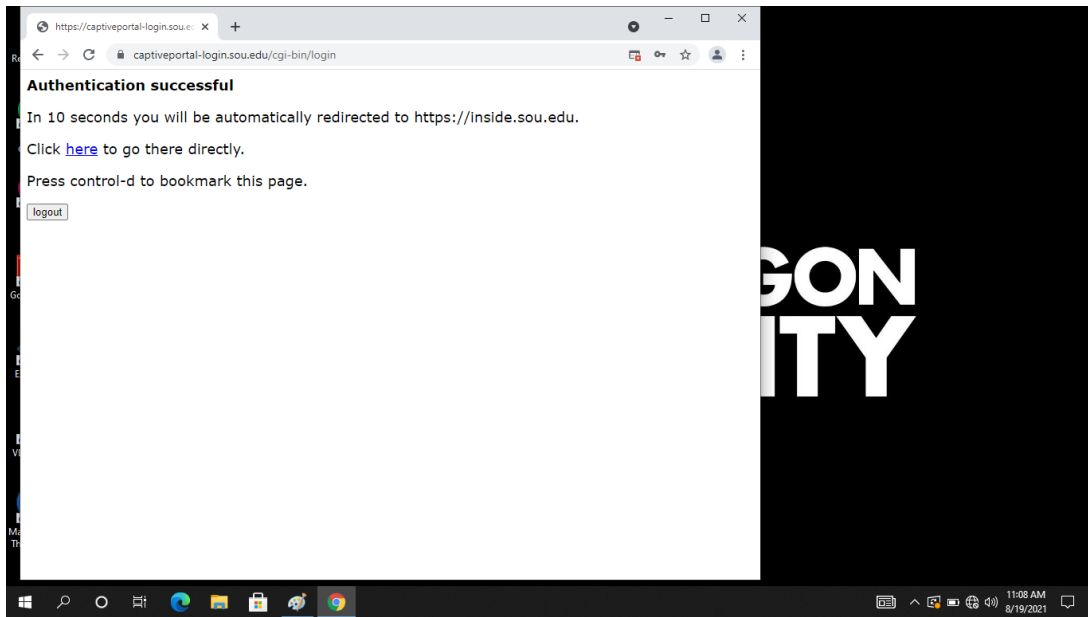
Authenticating to SOU-Wireless:

A Portal Login window will open when you select SOU-Wireless, and ask for a username and password. Enter your SOU school username and password (do not put the @sou.edu from your email address):

Upon successful authentication you will see the following screen. You can click the redirect, or wait for it to happen automatically:

You will now be able to use the network at SOU.