

How to get a free Salesforce account before you start Lab 1a

If you're going to be working Lab 1a in class, it's smart to get your Salesforce account in advance to avoid waiting while the server is busy generating accounts for all your classmates. It's easy, free and takes only a few minutes. That way, when it's time to work the whole lab, you can bypass that section (on page 2) where it tells you how to get the account.

But...DO <u>NOT</u> GO TO WWW.SALESFORCE.COM AND GET THE 30-DAY FREE TRIAL ACCOUNT! Huge mistake! Instead, follow these steps exactly to avoid problems:

1. Go to <u>https://developer.salesforce.com/signup</u> to get the free, lifetime Salesforce "Developer Edition" (DE) account. The web page with the form should look like this:



- Enter your real name and use a real email address—one you can log into—bc they send you an email with the link to set your password & get started. (Do <u>NOT</u> use a Yahoo, Hotmail or AOL account—they don't play nice with SF! To be safe, you can just create a new Gmail account to use just for this.)
- 3. For **Role** and **Company**, anything's ok, but for **Country**, be sure to pick **United States**, even if you're someplace else, just to make sure everything will work later on.
- 4. For Postal Code you can just use your own or you can use 95192 if you're outside the US.
- 5. For Username, you can enter anything that LOOKS like an email address, even if it's not real, eg "hippo@suitcase.sauce" will work as long as nobody else already got it! Whatever —just <u>make sure you remember it</u> AND the password you'll be setting, especially.
- 6. Then just wait, even if nothing happens for a long time. Don't get impatient and redo it!
- 7. In a 5-10 minutes you'll get a "Welcome to Salesforce: Verify your account" email at the address you gave. See where it says "To easily log in later, save this URL:"? That's your personal SF login link! <u>Bookmark it & always use that link for logging in from now on</u>.
- 8. Now, in the email, click Verify Account & follow the instructions and...you're logged in!
- 9. Then just log out by clicking on the character icon in the upper right corner and then click **Log Out** in the pop-up.

Now, when you're working Lab 1a and you get to Step 1, you can just log in & go from there!