

The Issue

There was no way to check whether a request was being sent from the user clicking on a random link or if they were clicking a button on the armbook website. This allowed anyone to send links that were able to make requests on behalf of anyone clicking the link.

The Fix

I Implemented CSRF Token. CSRF tokens are randomly generated tokens which do nothing other than be able to tell whether a request was made from the same session that the user is in. This is done by requiring the random token be imputed as validation for any request that are needed to be secure.

How I Did It

- 1) Create CSRF token when the user correctly authenticates


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HW4 > Activity 2 > Step 2 > armbook_package > login.php
17      session_unset();
18      session_destroy();
19      $sess_id = session_start();
20      session_regenerate_id(true);
21      $_SESSION['token'] = md5(uniqid(mt_rand(), true));
22      $_SESSION['login'] = ['born' => time(), 'ip' => $_SERVER['REMOTE_ADDR'], 'valid' => true];
23      $_SESSION['user_id'] = $row['user_id'];
24      die("True - login successful");
25  }else{
26      die('False - Username or password was invalid');
```

- 2) Add CSRF token to add_friend and del_friend requests in home.php and search.php


```
HW4 > Activity 2 > Step 2 > armbook_package > home.php
159      $( "#add_friend" ).click(function() {
160          $.get( "add_friend.php?id=?php echo $id_to_get; ?&token=?php echo $_SESSION['token']; ?>", function( data ) {
161              event.preventDefault();
162          });
163          location.reload();
164      });
165      $( "#del_friend" ).click(function() {
166          $.get( "del_friend.php?id=?php echo $id_to_get; ?&token=?php echo $_SESSION['token']; ?>", function( data ) {
167              event.preventDefault();
168          });
169          location.reload();
170      });
171  });
172  </script>
```

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HW4 > Activity 2 > Step 2 > armbook_package > search.php
100      $( "#add_friend" ).click(function() {
101          $.get( "add_friend.php?id=?php echo $id_to_get; ?&token=?php echo $_SESSION['token']; ?>", function( data ) {
102              event.preventDefault();
103          });
104          location.reload();
105      });
106      $( "#del_friend" ).click(function() {
107          $.get( "del_friend.php?id=?php echo $id_to_get; ?&token=?php echo $_SESSION['token']; ?>", function( data ) {
108              event.preventDefault();
109          });
110          location.reload();
111      });
112  });
```

- 3) Check CSRF token when add_friend.php or del_friend.php request is made

HW4 > Activity 2 > Step 2 > armbook_packaged >  add_friend.php

```
25     $_SESSION['login']['born'] = time();
26
27     if($_SESSION["token"] != $_GET["token"]){
28         die("Invalid token");
29     }
30
31     // Get Profile data
32     if($stmt = $mysqli->prepare("SELECT * from profiles where
33         if($stmt->bind_param("i", $_SESSION['user_id']))){
34         if(!$stmt->execute()){
```

HW4 > Activity 2 > Step 2 > armbook_packaged >  del_friend.php

```
24     // Reset our counter
25     $_SESSION['login']['born'] = time();
26
27     if($_SESSION["token"] != $_GET["token"]){
28         die("Invalid token");
29     }
30
31     // Get Profile data
32     if($stmt = $mysqli->prepare("SELECT * from profiles where
33         if($stmt->bind_param("i", $_SESSION['user_id']))){
```

4) Profit B)