**- Gemfile**

gem ‘activeadmin’

**Install gem**

- bundle install

**Run Generator** (to re-use existing users table)

- rails g active\_admin:install **--skip-users**

**Migrate Database**

- bundle exec rake db:migrate

**Update config/initializers/active\_admin.rb**

Ref: <http://stackoverflow.com/a/14651686/238880>

1. config.current\_user\_method = :current\_user

2. config.logout\_link\_path = :destroy\_user\_session\_path

3. config.logout\_link\_method = :delete

This last change is required if the default HTTP method used by your devise config is set to :delete, which it is unless you changed it. It matters that they are now synced because if you follow these instructions, you will be using destroy\_user\_session\_path which is a path already defined by devise. Otherwise you will get a message stating that [GET] /users/sign\_out route does not exist.

**user.rb**

def is\_admin?

self.email && ENV['ADMIN\_EMAILS'].to\_s.include?(self.email)

end

**application\_controller.rb**

def authenticate\_admin\_user!

redirect\_to new\_user\_session\_path unless current\_user.try(:is\_admin?)

end

**Add the admin link in nav bar**

- if current\_user.is\_admin?

%li= link\_to 'Admin', admin\_dashboard\_path

**Generate resources for each model you need to have administration for**

- rails g active\_admin:resource <Model Name>

Ex:

$ rails g active\_admin:resource User

$ rails g active\_admin:resource Hub

**Start server and verify**

- bundle exec rails s

When you are testing, make sure you set the environment variable ADMIN\_EMAILS with the comma separated email ids of the admin users you want to grant access to

**Set environment variable in production**

Set the ADMIN\_EMAILS environment variable when you deploy

**Migrate database in production**