

# User Guide

URL: <https://cosc360.ok.ubc.ca/zubs047/cosc360project>

The base directory or index will redirect to the home page.

## Unregistered Users

Only have access to login, register, home, about, and browse pages.

Choose login if you wish to use a regular or admin account. Registering for a new account will create a regular user by default, need to contact an admin to upgrade to admin account. Can freely search through the book listings on the browse page. Must be logged in to request a book.

## Regular Users

Provided login username = test, password = test

Access to logout, my account, home, about, browse, dashboard, and discussion pages.

After login, user is directed to the dashboard page where they can create book listings and see their current listings. Adding a book requires at least a title, description, and genre. The cover image is optional. Listings show status of user's books, if they are requested or borrowed. The discussions page shows threads by topic with a search function. Can post comments to the threads but cannot remove anything. Can test the asynchronous update of the discussion threads by opening separate windows or tabs with different logins and posting comments. Will see the new comments automatically updated. My account page allows user to alter their details such as username, password etc...

## Admin Users

Provided login username = zubs047, password = smartass

Access to logout, my account, home, about, browse, dashboard, discussions, and admin.

Maintains all functionality of regular users. The admin page contains additional tabs for managing users, books, discussions, reported content, and an overview. The user management tab shows all the users currently in the database and their information and status. Users can be promoted/demoted as admins or deleted. Book management displays all listings in the database with the options to view details or delete. Discussion management contains all thread topics with the ability to delete the entire thread or specific comments within. Reported content is a listing of all the reports users have submitted. Content overview is an overall summary showing all recent activity on the site including users, books, and discussions.