

# Setting up a nodeJS server on GCP

1. Create a VM instance
2. Create an external IP
  - Click on the instance menu(three dots beside the name) and select "View Network Details"
  - Click "IP Addresses" From the left menu
  - Click "Reserve external static address"
    - i. provide the name.
    - ii. Scroll down to "attached to" and select the instance we just created.
    - iii. Click "Reserve"
    - iv. Copy the static ip address you created and add it to your SQL instance
      1. Go GCP Console → SQL
      2. Click "Connections" from the left menu
      3. Scroll down and add the static ip address you reserved for the VM.
  - Go back to VM Instances
3. SSH to the instance created in (1)
4. Run the following commands:
  - `sudo su`
  - `apt-get update`
  - `apt-get install nodejs`
  - `apt-get install npm`
  - `mkdir myproj`
  - `cd myproj`
  - `npm init`
  - `npm install express --save`
  - `npm install -g express-generator`
  - `npx express --view=ejs`
  - `npm install`
  - `npm install mysql2 --save`
  - `npm install body-parser --save`
  - `npm install path --save`
  - `nano server.js`

nano ./views/index.ejs

Link to the Index.ejs File

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1AwBiaS8KTo5hTWkl3wgujhvdUqZRmqqN/view?usp=sharing>

server.js

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## Part 1

```
var express = require('express');
var bodyParser = require('body-parser');
var mysql = require('mysql2');

var app = express();

app.get('/', function(req, res) {
    res.send({'message': 'Hello'});
});

app.listen(80, function () {
    console.log('Node app is running on port 80');
});
```

## Part 2

Link to the server.js File

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1H-UpGVoxgjo1rxHTieBbtUwGH9R6lpL9/view?usp=sharing>

Src:

<https://www.tutsmake.com/node-js-express-insert-data-from-form-into-mysql-database/>