GitLab: Getting Started



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Search/Filter Projects, Groups, & Subgroups

GitLab allows users to search for groups, subgroups, and projects quickly and efficiency. Users can search for group names or titles that either begins, contains, and/or ends with the search input. Filtering narrows down the current list that matches with the user's input. Users can filter that either begins, contains, and/or ends with for groups, subgroups, projects, and/or user's last name.

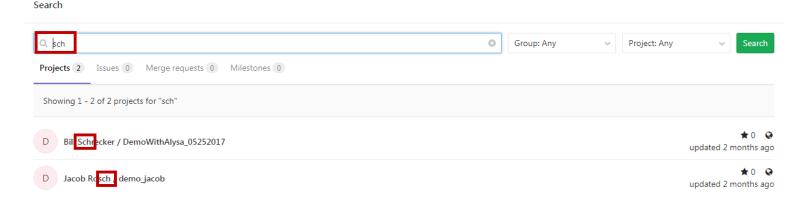
To search for projects, groups, & subgroups:

1) Located the text field at the top right header with a **microscope** icon and the word **Search** displayed in it.



- 2) Type in the name/substring of either groups, subgroups, and/or projects.
- 3) Press **Enter** on your keyboard to search for the input. This will take you to the search result page that will list all of the projects that matches with the input. Otherwise, the page states that there are no projects that matches with the search input.

Note: You can only search for groups/subgroups/projects that are only set to public visibility.



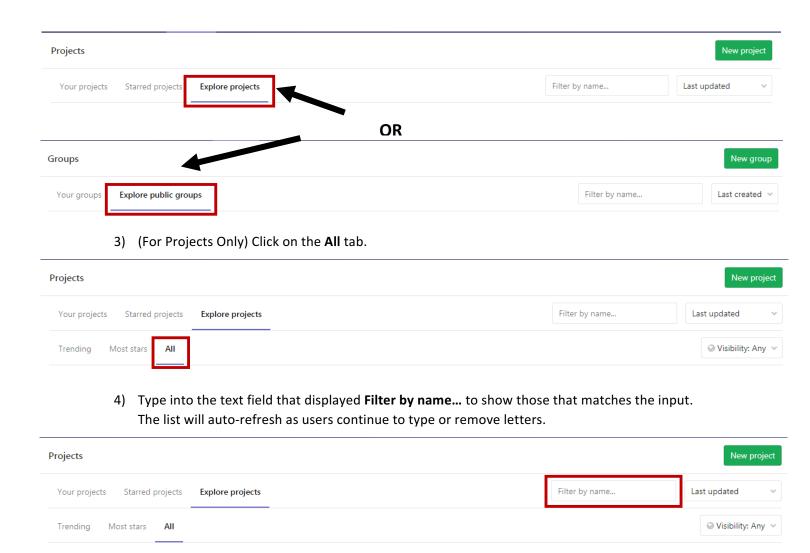
To filter projects and groups:

1) On the top menu header, click on **Projects** or **Groups** tab.



2) Click on Explore projects or Explore public groups tab.





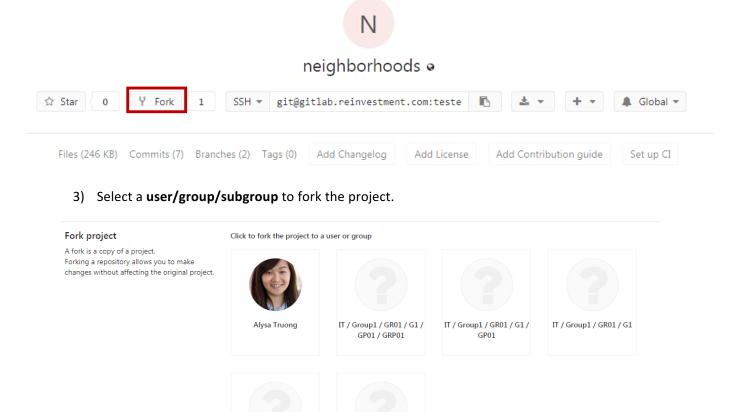


Forking & Merge Requests

Forking and merge request goes hand-in-hand and are considered to be very important in developing products or improving projects. Forking allows users to create their copy of the master project under their name and implement their changes while testing for errors. Once users are ready to incorporate their changes into the master project, users will create merge requests that allows other users to check and review new changes. Users are encouraged to have a discussion about the changes before agreeing to accept or reject until new improvements.

To fork a repository:

- 1) Click on the **project name** that you want to work on.
- 2) Underneath the project image and project name, click on the **Fork** button.





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4) You should get a **message** displayed across the screen, stating that the project was successfully forked. Underneath the project name, you should see that it is **forked from ...**.

To update forked project:

Note: You may need to use Git Bash to pull the latest changes into your forked project repository. However, there is another simpler way which is to delete your current fork repository and then go back to the master project to create a new fork there.

- 1) Open Git Bash.
- 2) Clone your **forked repository** with the following command line:
 - a. git clone http://gitlab.reinvestment.com/../../.git

```
truonga@D_4JQRG42 MINGW64 ~/Desktop
$ git clone http://gitlab.reinvestment.com/truonga/neighborhoods.git
Cloning into 'neighborhoods'...
remote: Counting objects: 24, done.
remote: Compressing objects: 100% (17/17), done.
remote: Total 24 (delta 5), reused 21 (delta 5)
Receiving objects: 100% (24/24), done.
Resolving deltas: 100% (5/5), done.
```

Note: This remote will be called origin as default.

- 3) Move into that project folder in Git Bash with the following command:
 - a. cd [project folder name]

```
truonga@D_4JQRG42 MINGW64 ~/Desktop
$ cd neighborhoods
```

4) Enter the following command line:



a. git remote add upstream http://gitlab.reinvestment.com/../.../.git

```
truonga@D_4JQRG42 MINGW64 ~/Desktop/neighborhoods (master)
$ git remote add upstream http://gitlab.reinvestment.com/testers/SQL/neighborhoods.git
```

Note: There is a difference between **origin** and **upstream** remotes. Consider origin as the place you would want to make changes to only while upstream is the place where you should only get the latest changes.

- 5) Enter the following command line:
 - a. git pull upstream master

```
ruonga@D_4JQRG42 MINGW64 ~/Desktop/neighborhoods (master)
$ git pull upstream master
remote: Counting objects: 14, done.
remote: Compressing objects: 100% (14/14), done.
remote: Total 14 (delta 2), reused 0 (delta 0)
Unpacking objects: 100% (14/14), done.
From gitlab.reinvestment.com:testers/SQL/neighborhoods
 * branch
                    master
                              -> FETCH_HEAD
  [new branch]
                    master
                                -> upstream/master
Updating Of99ab3..6d1809a
Fast-forward
newFile | 4 +++
1 file changed, 3 insertions(+), 1 deletion(-)
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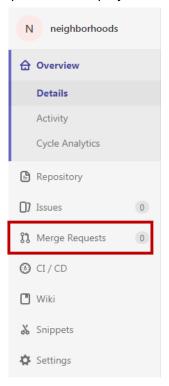
- 6) Once it is successfully updated, enter the following command line:
 - a. git push origin master

To create a merge request:

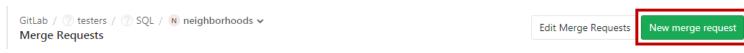
1) Click on the main project name.



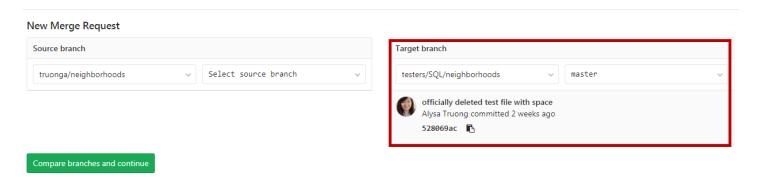
2) On the left side bar, click on **Merge Requests** tab. The number next to the Merge Requests tab represents the number of requests for that project.



3) Click on the New merge request button at the top right.

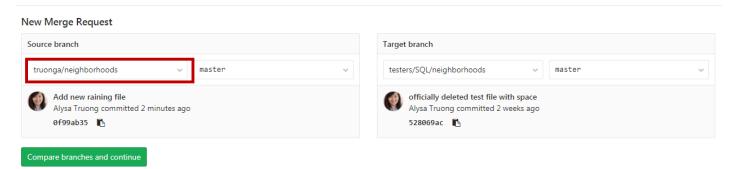


4) Check to see if the master project is under the **Target branch** section.

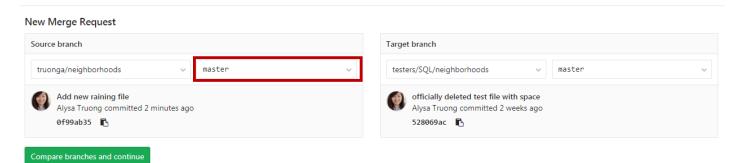




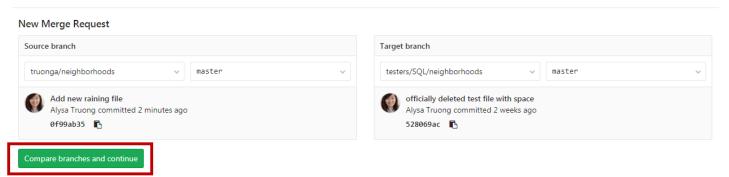
5) Under the Source branch, click on the **first drop-down** list to select the forked project that you made changes under.



6) Select the **branch** that you made changes under (If didn't add new branch, keep it as **master**).



7) Click on **Compare branches and continue** button. GitLab will find if there are any difference between two projects. If no difference between the two projects, GitLab displays an error message that there is none and to select another source.





8) Choose to create a **new merge request title** or **keep title** as it is. Users can decide to include *WIP*: (Work In Progress) status to the title, which prevents a request from being merged into the master project before it is ready to do so. To remove the WIP status, delete *WIP*: in the merge request title.

New Merge Request

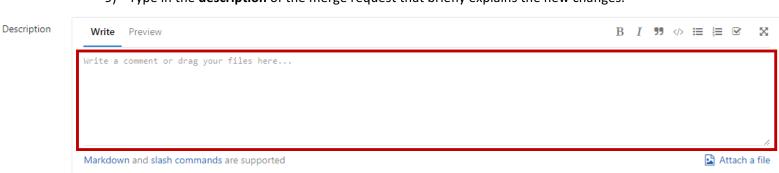
From truonga/neighborhoods:master into testers/SQL/neighborhoods:master

Title

Remove the WIP: prefix from the title to allow this Work In Progress merge request to be merged when it's ready.

Add description templates to help your contributors communicate effectively!

9) Type in the **description** of the merge request that briefly explains the new changes.



10) Select a **user** who has access to the master project to be assigned to the merge request. That user will be responsible with reviewing the changes and oversee this current merge request.



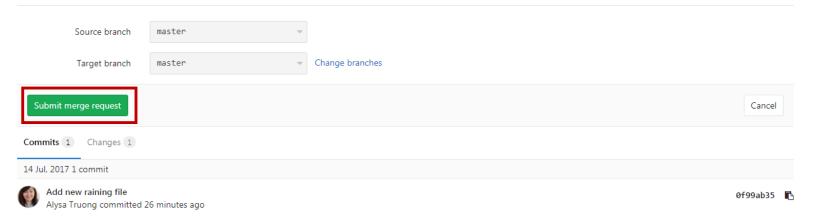
11) Select a label that describes the merge request (for organizing purposes).





Note: To create your own labels, follow the instructions under **Create Issues Labels** section in this guide.

12) Click on **Submit merge request** button to submit the request. This is notify the assigned user of a new merge request.



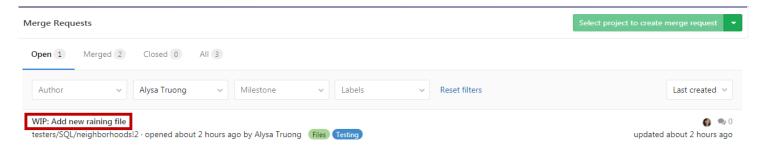
Note: The **Commit** tab shows all of the commits that are included in the merge request. The **Changes** tab displays all new changes within the forked project that are included in the merge request.

To review merge request:

1) On the right-top of the page, click on the **third icon** from the right. An orange icon with a number is shown, indicating the amount of merge requests that are open and pending.



2) The Merge Request page will list all of the requests that are open and pending submitted by you. Users can filter through multiple requests with the filter selections provided. Click on the merge request name to view the request in detail.



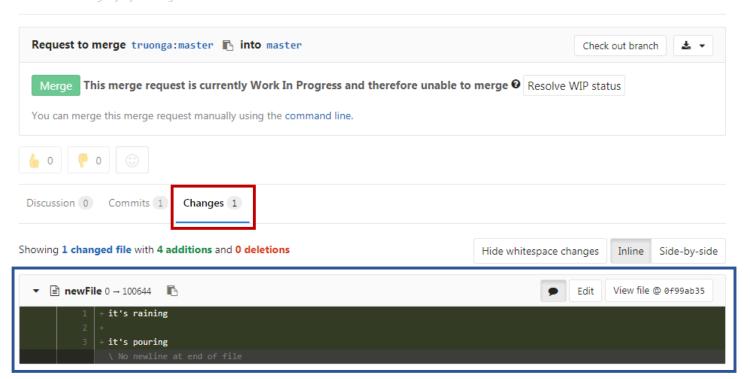
3) Click on **Changes** tab to review changes in the files in greater details.



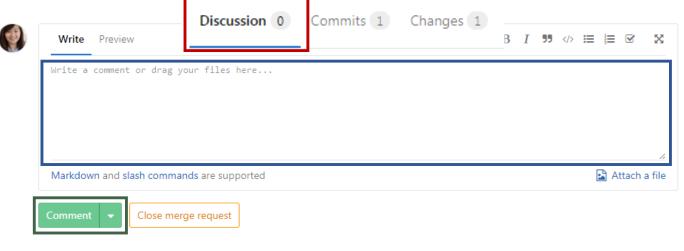
WIP: Add new raining file

rain, rain go away come again another day

Edited 24 minutes ago by Alysa Truong



4) Click on **Discussion** tab to begin discussing about the request (what is good, what needs to be changed, etc.). Click on **Comment** button to post your comment. This will notify the request creator of a new comment made to the merge request.





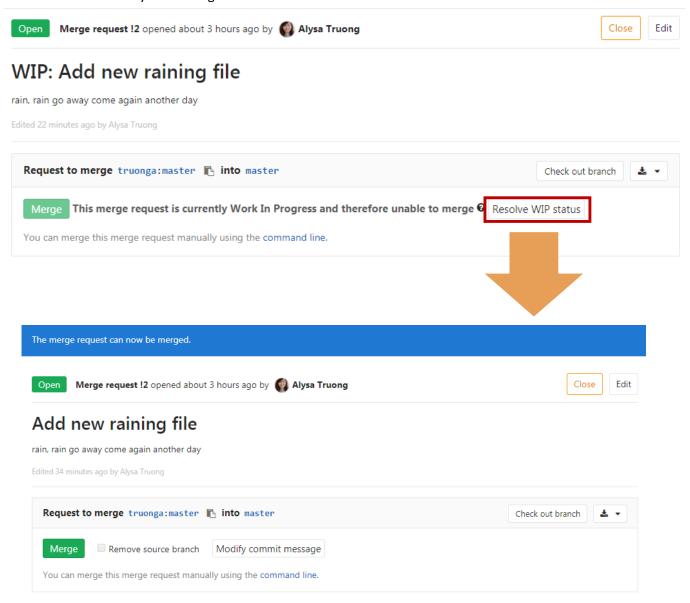
To reject merge request:

1) Click on Close merge request button.



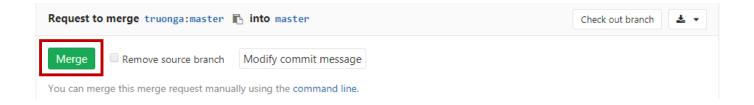
To accept merge request:

1) (For WIP) Click on **Resolve WIP status** button to remove the WIP: from the merge request title when it is ready to be merged.



2) Click on **Merge** button to allow the commit to merge into master project.





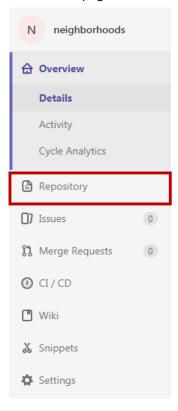


Revert Commits

In any case of accidents, errors, etc. done the master project, personal, or forked repository, users can easily turn the project back to the previous state or version within a few steps by using the GitLab web interface.

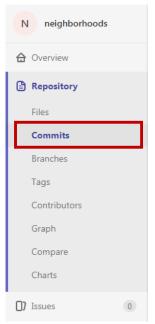
To revert a commit:

- 1) Click on the **project name**.
- 2) Click on **Repository** tab on the left side of the page.





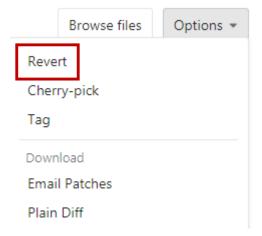
3) Click on **Commits** tab under the top header. This will display all of the pushed commits of the selected repository.



- 4) Click on the **commit** you wish to revert.
- 5) Click on **Options** at the top right-hand side of the page

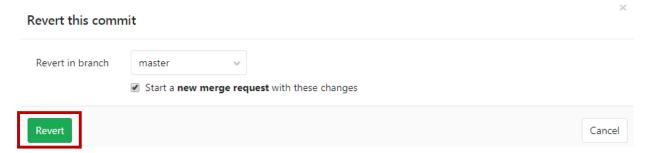


6) Select the **Revert** option.





7) Keep the default settings and click on **Revert** button. This will redirect you to back to the project home page.



8) You should see a new commit on the project home page, starting with *Merge branch 'revert... into master.'* Clicking on the **Commits** tab will show other commits with *Revert [commit message]*.

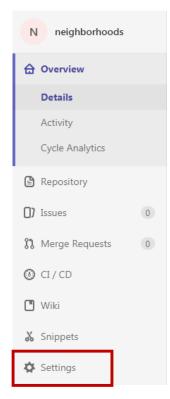


Transfer Projects to Users

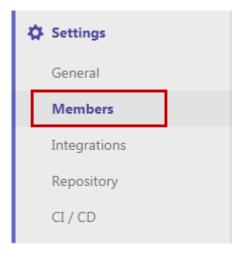
Transferring projects to another user requires that user to have access to the project (whether it is personal or group repository). Once the project has been transferred to the new user, the project will no longer be hold under the current/former owner since there is a new ownership of the repository.

To add users for project access:

- 1) Click on your project name.
- 2) Click on Settings at the left-side bar.

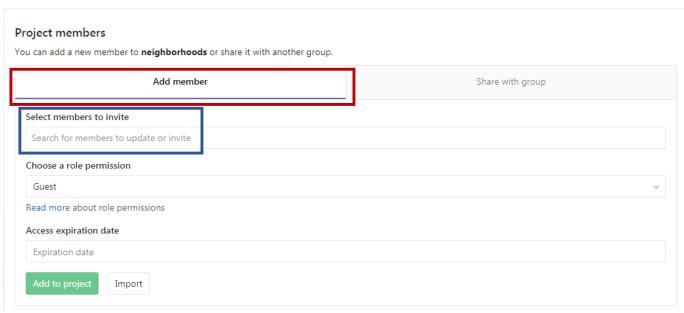


3) Click on the Members tab.



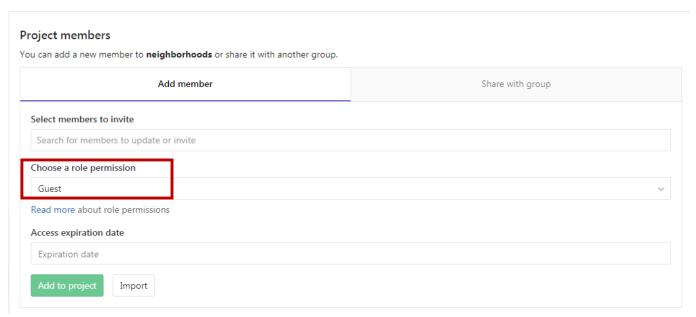


4) Under the **Add member** section, type in the user's name. A list will displayed below the input field and click on the user name once you locate it.

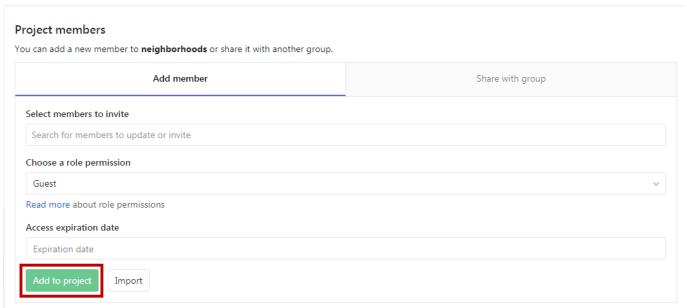


5) Select the **permission level** for the user.

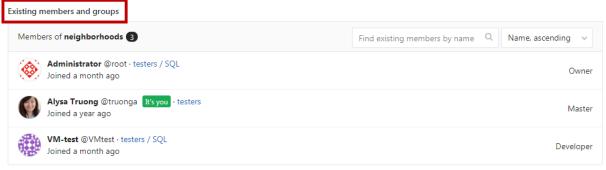




6) Click on the Add to project button.



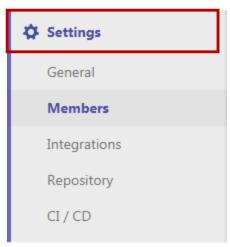
7) You should see the newly added user's name under the **Existing members and groups** section.





To transfer the project to user:

- 1) Click on the project name.
- 2) Click on **Settings** on the left side of the page.



3) Under the **Transfer project to new group**, click on the field to select the user you want to transfer the project.

Transfer project to new group

Please select the group you want to transfer this project to in the dropdown to the right.



- Be careful. Changing the project's namespace can have unintended side effects.
- You can only transfer the project to namespaces you manage.
- You will need to update your local repositories to point to the new location.
- Project visibility level will be changed to match namespace rules when transfering to a group.

Transfer project

Select a new namespace

4) Click on Transfer project button.

Transfer project to new group

Please select the group you want to transfer this project to in the dropdown to the right.



- You will need to update your local repositories to point to the new location.
- Project visibility level will be changed to match namespace rules when transfering to a group.

Transfer project

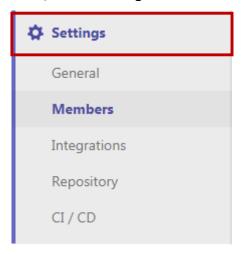


Remove Projects

In some cases, projects are no longer needed anymore. After (triple) confirming that projects are no longer needed in the future (whether to pick it up again or improvement for new projects), projects are removed permanently from the server with a click of a button (after a few clear warnings).

To remove the project:

- 1) Click on the **project name**.
- 2) On the top project header, click on Settings.



3) Scroll down to the bottom of the Setting page to find the Remove Project section. Click on the **Remove project** button.

Remove project

Removing the project will delete its repository and all related resources including issues, merge requests etc.



4) Type in the **project name** as indicated in the instruction into the text field provided.

Confirmation required	×
You are going to remove Alysa Truong / RStudio. Removed project CANNOT be restored! Are you ABSOLUTELY sure?	
This action can lead to data loss. To prevent accidental actions we ask you to confirm your intention. Please type RStudio to proceed or close this modal to cancel.	
Confirm	



5) Click on **Confirm** button. GitLab will immediately remove the project, depending on the current file size of the project.

Confirmation required	×
You are going to remove Alysa Truong / RStudio. Removed project CANNOT be restored! Are you ABSOLUTELY sure?	
This action can lead to data loss. To prevent accidental actions we ask you to confirm your intention. Please type RStudio to proceed or close this modal to cancel.	
Confirm	



Download Copy of Project

Whether in the case users would want a complete and current copy of the project offline, users can download a zip file of the chosen repository from the GitLab server. The project offers several compressed file extension of their choosing.

To download the copy of the project onto your computer:

- 1) Click on the **project name** you would like to download.
- 2) Click on the **downward arrow and with hard drive** icon button (hovering over the icon will show *Download*).

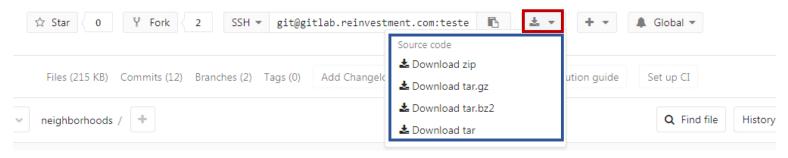




3) This will show a list of compressed file that you would like the source code to be downloaded on your computer. Choose one and click on your **chosen file extension**. This will automatically start the download onto your computer.



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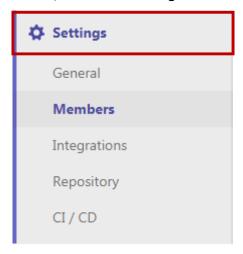


Change Project Picture

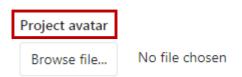
Sometimes, project needs something to make it stand out from other project repository, such as a project logo or something fun to represent the projects. With no project image, the default image for the project repository is the first letter of the project title.

To change project picture:

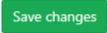
- 1) Click on the **project name**.
- 2) On the top project header, click on the **Settings** tab.



3) Scroll down to the **Project avatar** section in the *Project Settings* page.

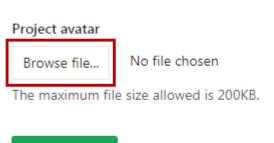


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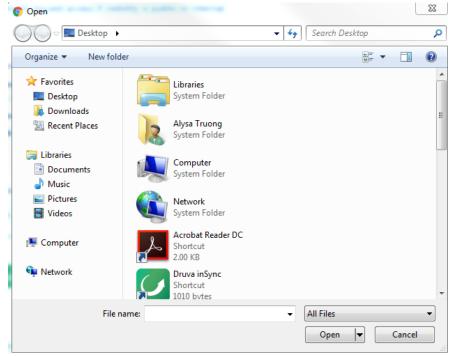
4) Click on **Browse file...** button.





Save changes

5) Locate and choose the **image** from your computer.



6) Click on the Save changes button when complete.

Project avatar

Browse file... No file chosen

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Using GitLab Editor

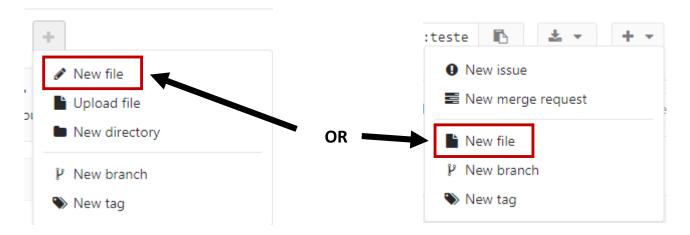
GitLab web interface provides a feature where users can make quick edits to files of the project or easily create a new text file in the project. The GitLab editor opens various file extensions and the contents are shown as it would when it is opened with a basic text editor available on the computer (may maintains its original style and format of the file).

To add a new file to the project:

- 1) Click on the project name.
- 2) Click on the **plus icon** (+) button. This will show several items that you can add to the project.

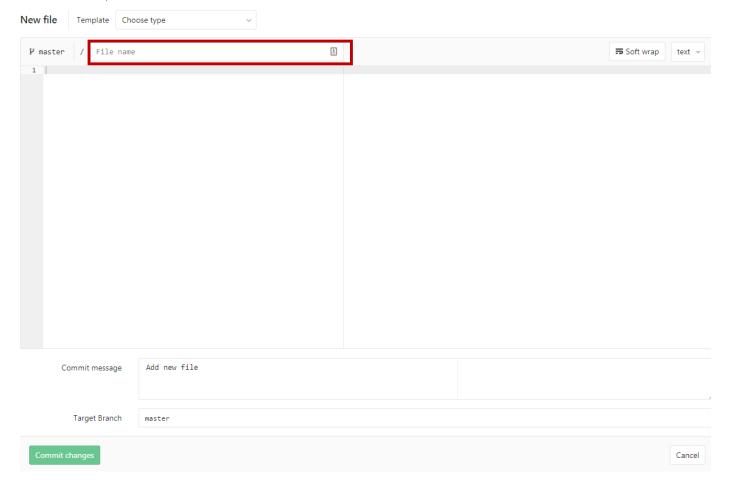


3) Select the **New file** option. This will take you to the web editor.



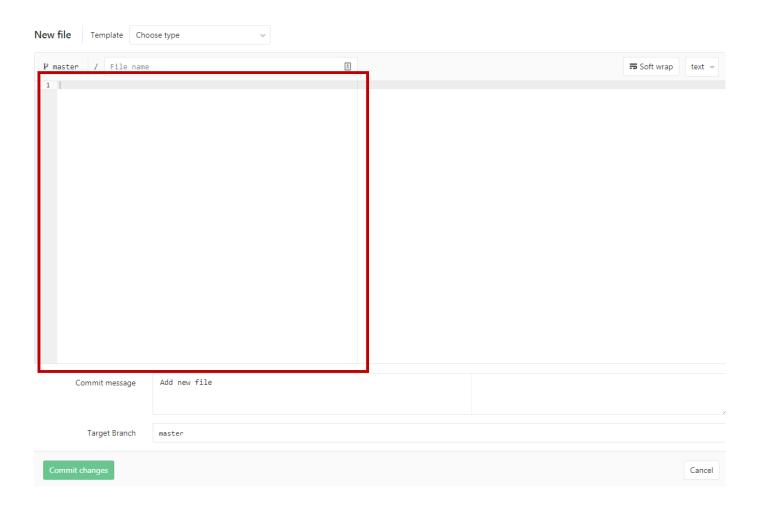


4) In the **File Name** text field, enter the *title* of the file.



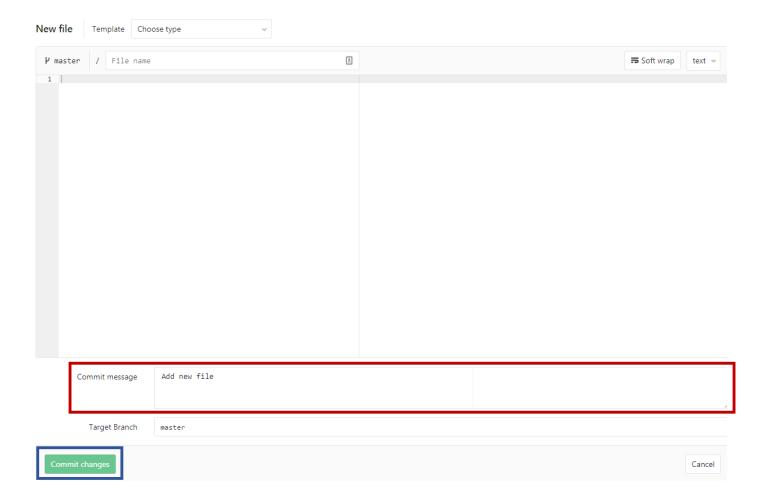
5) Below the File name text field, create the **file contents**.





6) Type your **commit** message. Click on **Commit changes** button to commit and push the commit to the project.





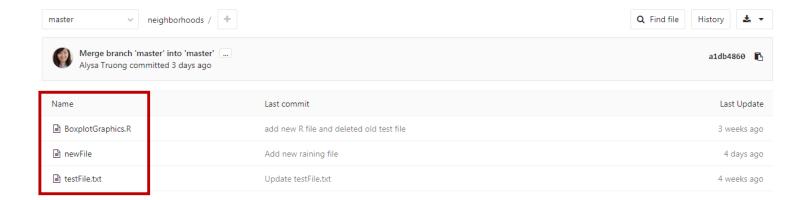
To edit existing files in the project:

- 1) Click on the project name you want to edit.
- 2) Click on Files tab on the second project header.



3) Click on the **file name** shown in the list. This will redirect users to another page where the contents of the file can be viewed in greater details.





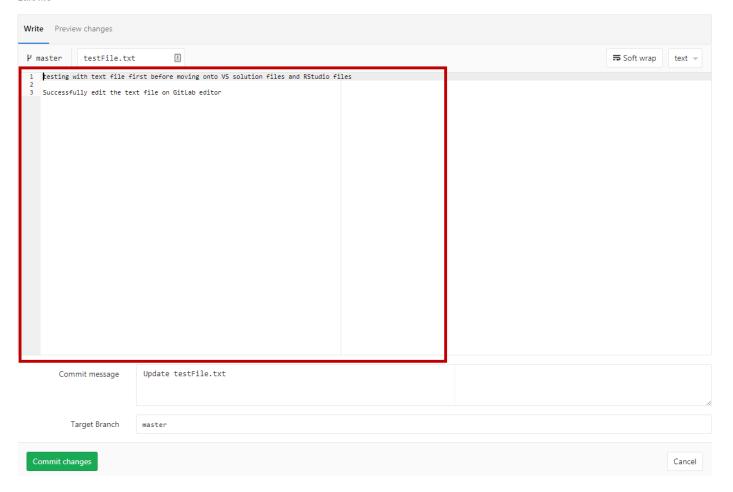
4) Right above the contents of the file on the right side of the page, click on **Edit** button. This will take you to the GitLab editor with the current file open to make changes.



5) Edit the **file content** in the middle section of the page.



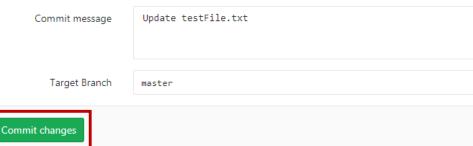
Edit file



6) Once you completed editing the file, type the **commit** message.



7) Click on **Commit changes** button to commit and push the commit to the project.





Fixing Merge Conflicts

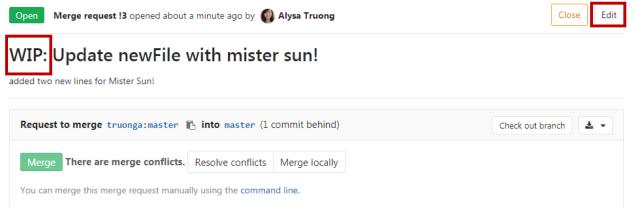
GitLab makes sure there are no merge conflicts, or problems, between two files of the master project and forked project. It checks for anything that might cause any issues in case that several other users had also worked on the same section of the files. This prevents any accident of overlapping user's work with another user and cause user to manually resolve it before merging into the master project. This saves a lot of time and frustrations from going back and determine what the previous solution.

To fix merge conflicts:

1) Open up a merge request that has a merge conflict.

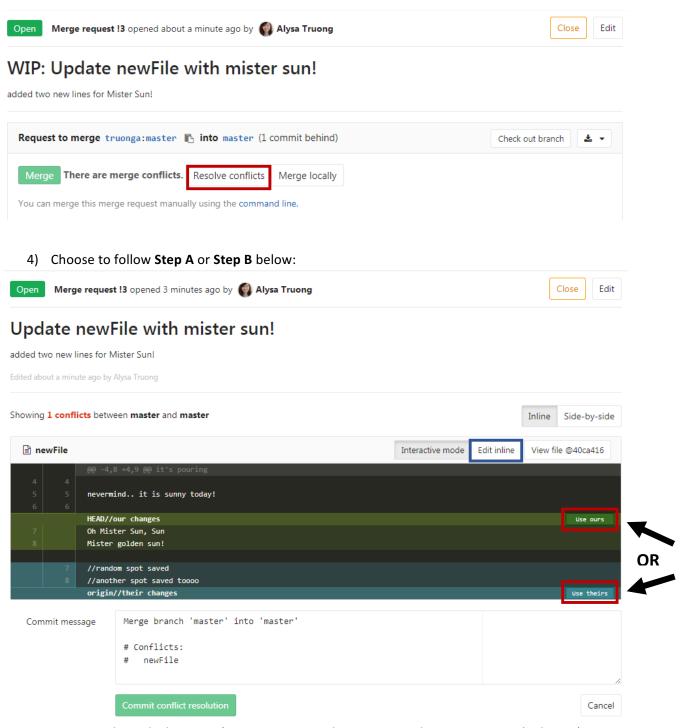


2) (For WIP) Remove the WIP status from the merge request by clicking the **Edit** button and delete the WIP: from the merge request's title.



3) Click on the **Resolve conflicts** button. This will redirect the user to viewing the conflicts of the file.



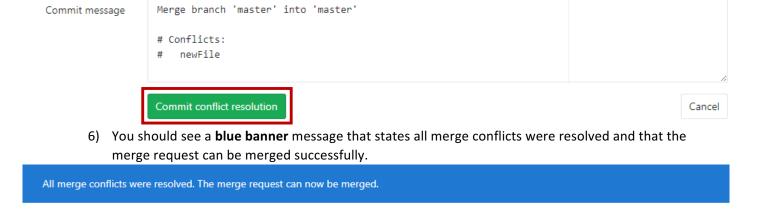


- a. Select which **option** (*Use ours* as your change or *Use theirs* as someone's change) to keep in the file.
- b. Users can manually edit modify the files to resolve the merge conflict with the editor by clicking on the **Edit inline** button. Modify to your liking, type your new commit message.

Note: Make sure to remove the arrows (<<<< and >>>>) and lines (=====) when manually editing the file on the GitLab editor (example provided below after Step 7).



5) Click on the **Commit conflict resolution** button to commit and push the change.



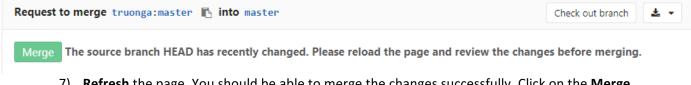
Update newFile with mister sun!

Merge request !3 opened 15 minutes ago by 🚳 Alysa Truong

added two new lines for Mister Sun!

Edited 13 minutes ago by Alysa Truong

Open

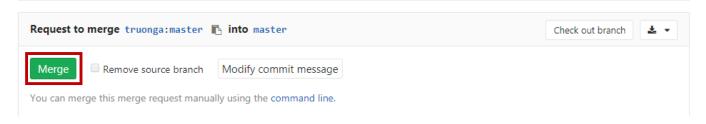


7) **Refresh** the page. You should be able to merge the changes successfully. Click on the **Merge** button to merge your changes to the master project.

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added two new lines for Mister Sun!

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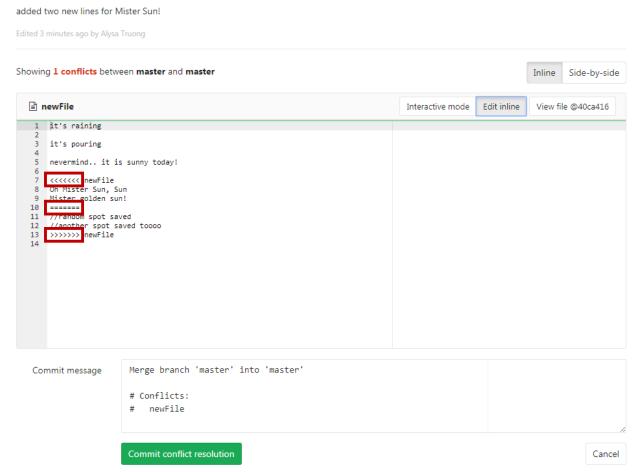
Note: Example image for manually editing the file on the GitLab editor to try to resolve the merge conflict.



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Note: The GitLab editor might be not be available for resolving conflicts if the files is over 200 KB in size, file is binary and not text, already contains conflict markers, and does not exist under the same path in both branches.

Note: For more information on resolving merge conflict using GitLab editor: read this.

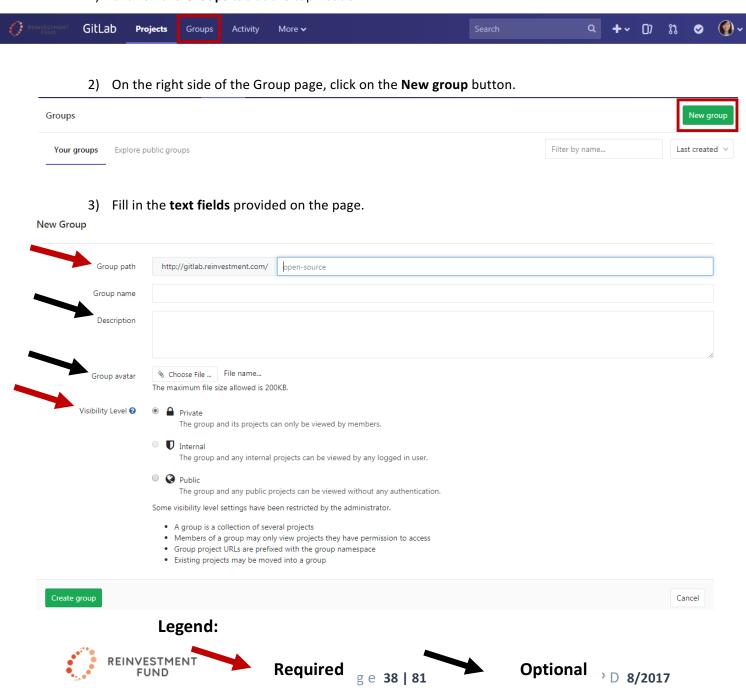


Create Groups & Subgroups

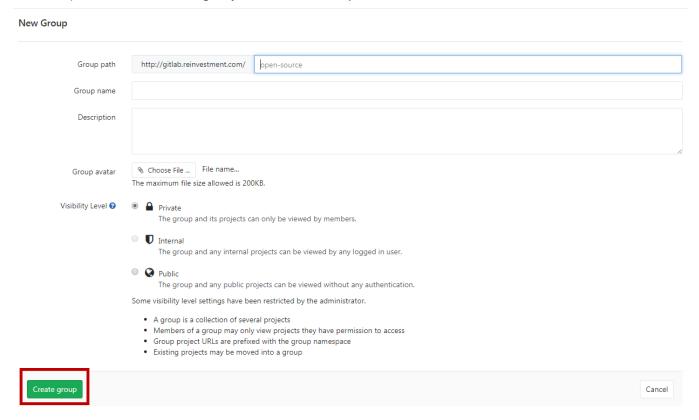
GitLab offers users to create groups and subgroups to help organize large projects as well as giving certain people access to necessary projects. Users can create as many groups and subgroups within groups; there is no limit. Users can also create a subgroup within another subgroup. However, GitLab can only hold a maximum of 21 nested groups (meaning there are a max of 21 levels or tiers in the group hierarchy).

To create a group:

1) Click on the Groups tab at the top header.

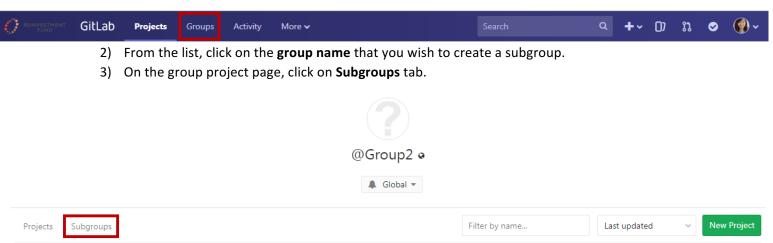


4) Click on the **Create group** button when complete.



To create a subgroup:

1) Click on the **Groups** tab at the top header.



4) Click on the New Subgroup button.





Projects !	Subgroups		Filter by name	New
	5) Fill	in the text fields provided on the page.		
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Visib	oility Level 🔞	 Private The group and its projects can only be viewed by members. 		
		 Internal The group and any internal projects can be viewed by any logged in user. 		
		 Public The group and any public projects can be viewed without any authentication. 		
		Some visibility level settings have been restricted by the administrator.		
		 A group is a collection of several projects Members of a group may only view projects they have permission to access Group project URLs are prefixed with the group namespace Existing projects may be moved into a group 		
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6) Click on the **Create group** button when complete.

Note: You must be an owner of a parent group in order to create subgroups and manage users for that parent group.



Note: Any users from the parent group will be automatically added to all and new subgroups within that parent group, inheriting the current permission levels. Only the Owner and Master of that group can manage users.

Note: Adding and removing users from subgroups will not affect other subgroups or the parent group. However, changing users in the parent group will affect across the parent and subgroups.

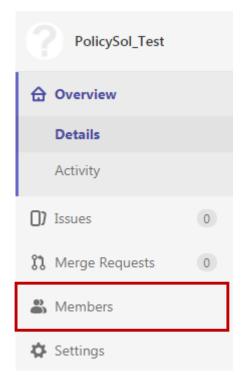


Add/Remove Users from Groups and Subgroups

Users with permission levels of Owner or Master can manage users in groups and subgroups. Owners have full administration access in the group compared to Master with only partial administration access. However, users can be added and removed from the parent group and subgroups. Removing users from the subgroup will not affect other subgroups and parent group. On the other hand, removing that user from the parent group will be applied across all the subgroups that the parent group contains.

To add users in the group:

- 1) Click on the group name.
- 2) At the left-side bar, click on Members tab.

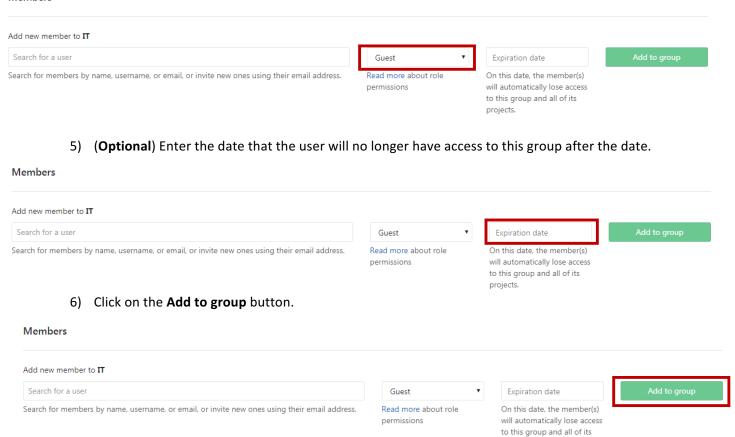


3) Under the **Add new member to ...** section, type in the user's name in the text field provided.

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4) Select the user's **permission level** within this group.

Members



7) You should see the newly added user's name under the Existing members section below.



To add users in the subgroup:

1) Click on the group name.



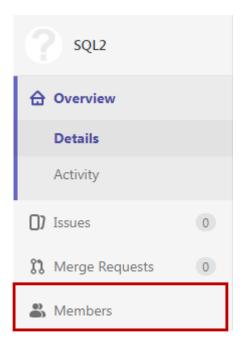
projects.

2) Right next to the Projects tab, click on the **Subgroups** tab.





- 3) Click on the subgroup name.
- 4) On the left side bar, click on the Members tab.



5) Under the **Add new member to ...** section, type in the user's name.

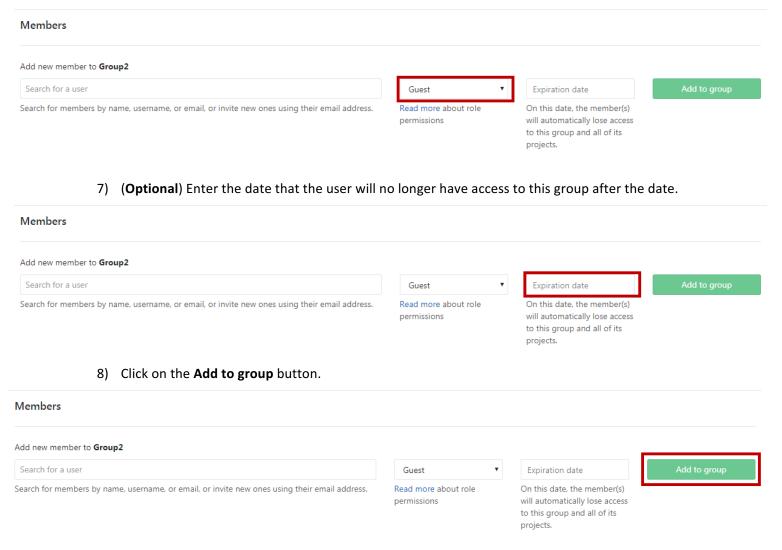
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Filter by name

New Subgroup

6) Select the user's **permission level** within this group.



9) You should see the newly added user's name under the Existing members section below.

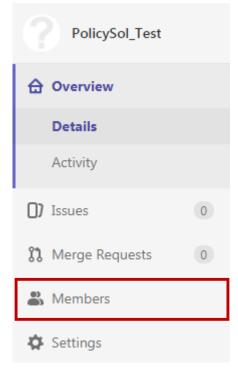
Note: Adding users in the subgroup will only give the user access to that particular subgroup; this addition will not be able to access other subgroups within that parent group unless they are added.





To remove users in the group:

- 1) Click on the group name.
- 2) Click on the **Members** tab at the left side bar.



3) Under the Existing members section, **locate** the user that you want to remove.



4) On the left side of the users list, click on the **trash icon** in the same row as the user's name.

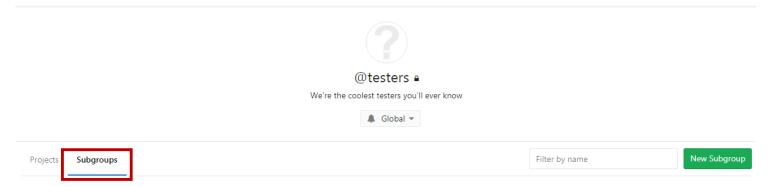




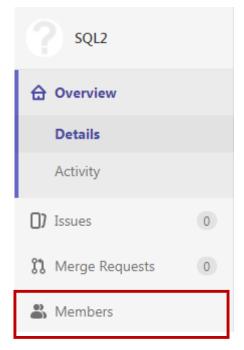
5) GitLab will immediately remove the user's access from the group and all of the subgroups that are under the parent group.

To remove users in the subgroup:

- 1) Click on the group name.
- 2) On the group home page right next to the Projects tab, click on the **Subgroups** tab.

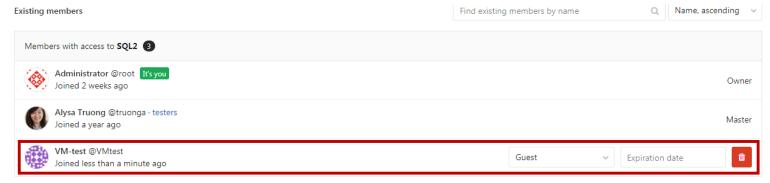


- 3) Click on the subgroup name.
- 4) Click on the Members tab on the left side bar.

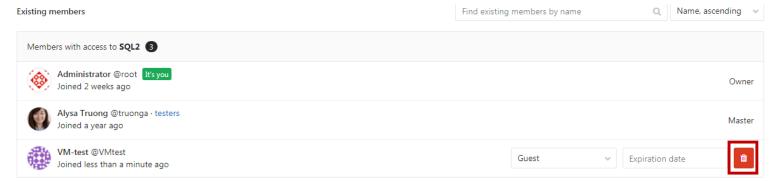




5) Under the Existing members section, **locate** the user that you want to remove.



6) On the left side of the users list, click on the **trash icon** in the same row as the user's name.



7) GitLab will immediately remove the user's access from the subgroup.

Note: Removing user from the subgroup will only block that user from accessing that current subgroup. The user will continue to have access to the parent group and/or other subgroups unless they are removed either from the parent group or individual subgroups.

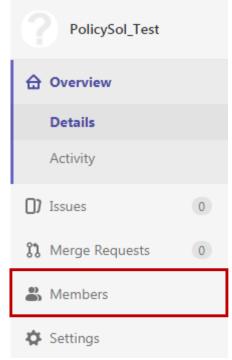


Change User's Permission Levels in Groups/Subgroups

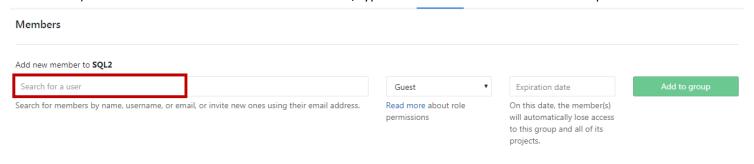
Users in groups and subgroups may have completely different permission levels due to the organization or required project contents. However, a user can start off with a low permission level in the group and eventually, they would start to build up their work requirements which will then require a higher permission level to do more things with the project. The owner of the parent group is the only user that can change user's permission levels within groups and subgroups.

To change user permission levels in groups:

- 1) Click on the group name.
- 2) At the left side bar, click on the Members tab.

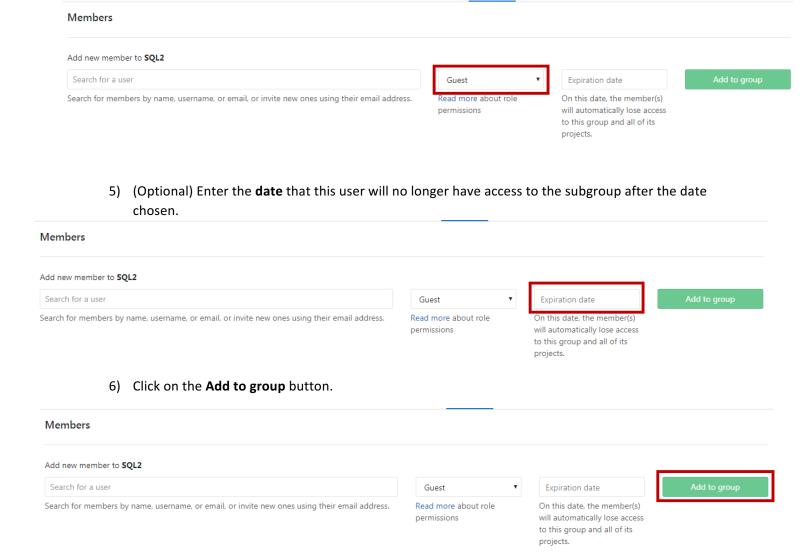


3) Under the Add new members to ... section, type in the user's name in the text field provided.

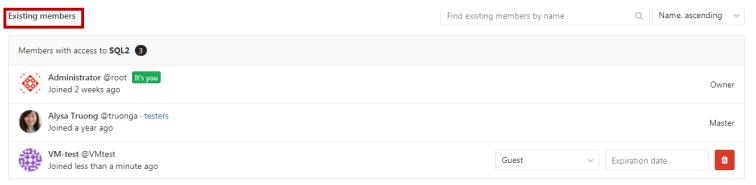




4) Select the **new permission level** from the drop-down list.



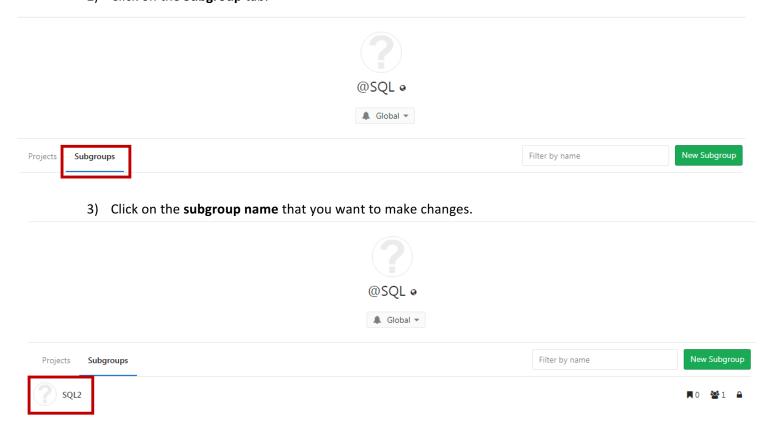
7) This will update the user's permission levels in all subgroups that is under the parent group. You should see the user with their new permission level under the **Existing members** section.





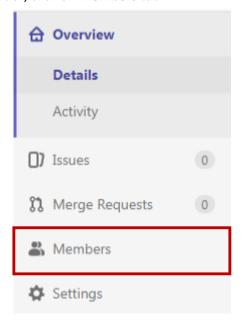
To change user permission levels in subgroups:

- 1) Click on the group name.
- 2) Click on the **Subgroup** tab.

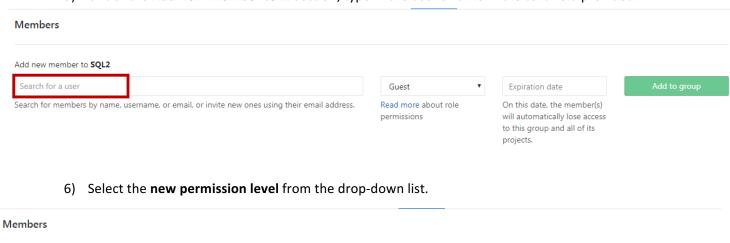


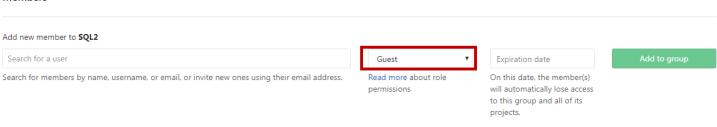


4) At the left-side bar header, click on Members tab.



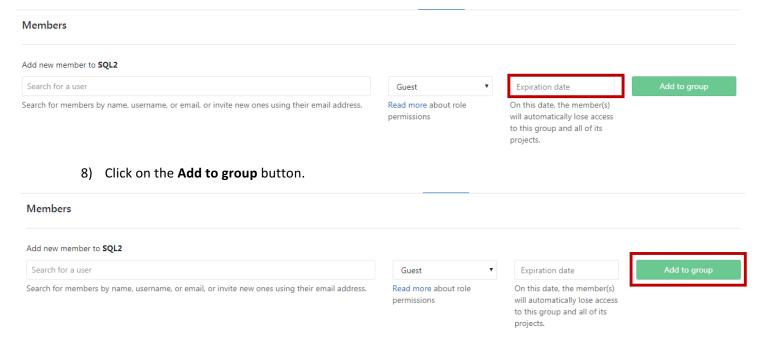
5) Under the **Add new member to ...** section, type in the user's name in the text field provided.







7) (Optional) Enter the **date** that this user will have no longer have access to the subgroup after the date chosen.



9) This will overwrite the old permission level that the user was given in the parent group. You should see the user with their new permission level under the **Existing members** section.



Note: Only Owner of the subgroup/parent can manage user's permission levels.

Note: Changing the user's permission levels in the subgroup will not affect the parent group's permission levels unless the owner changes the permission levels in the parent group.

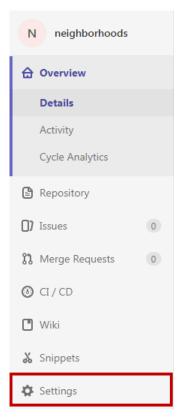


Transfer Projects to Groups/ Subgroups

Sometimes, personal projects that users create would end up extending to multiple people to work on as a collaboration. GitLab provide an easy way to transfer the existing projects over to groups or subgroups without exporting and importing back.

To transfer projects to groups/subgroups:

- 1) Locate the project repository in GitLab.
- 2) Click on the project name.
- 3) Click on **Settings** option on the left-side header.



4) Scroll down the page to find the **Transfer project to new group** section.



Please select the group you want to transfer this project to in the dropdown to the right.

Be careful. Changing the project's namespace can have unintended side effects.

- · You can only transfer the project to namespaces you manage.
- You will need to update your local repositories to point to the new location.
- Project visibility level will be changed to match namespace rules when transfering to a group.

Transfer project

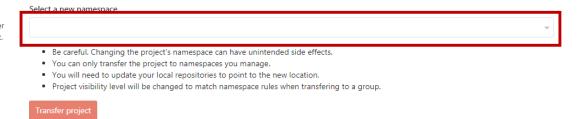
Select a new namespace



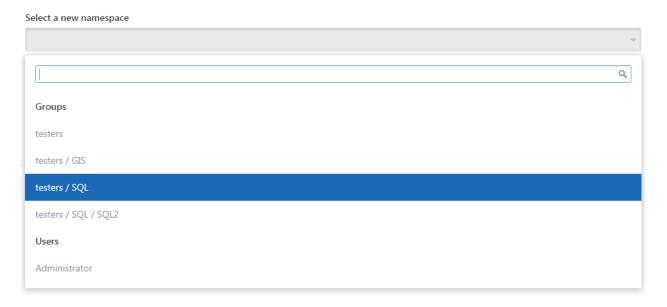
5) Click on the drop-down list to show all of the groups and subgroups that you are a member of.

Transfer project to new group

Please select the group you want to transfer this project to in the dropdown to the right.



6) Select the **group/subgroup** name.



7) Click on the Transfer project button.

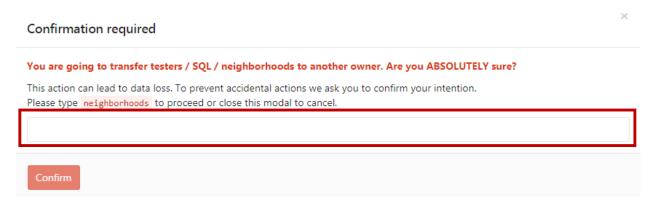
Transfer project to new group

Please select the group you want to transfer this project to in the dropdown to the right.



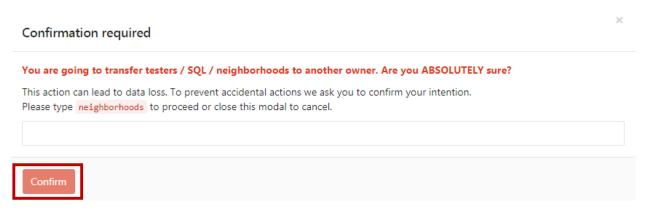


8) Follow the instruction on the pop-up window by typing the **project name** on the text field provided.



9) Click on the **Confirm** button.

Note: The options that have multiple forward slashes are considered to be subgroups where the groups that does not have any forward slashes are parent groups.



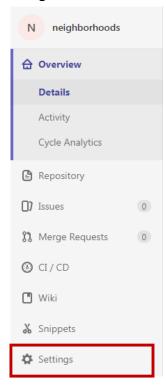


Share Projects with Group/Subgroup

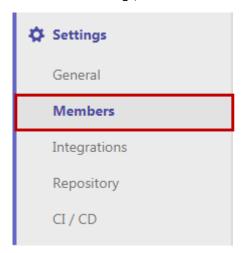
There are times where a group or subgroup may need access to the projects of another groups or subgroups to complete their tasks. GitLab offers the option for owners of the group/subgroup to share their project without exporting and importing online and offline.

To share project with group:

- 1) Click on the project name.
- 2) On the left side, click on **Settings** tab.



3) At the second-level header under Settings, click on Members tab.

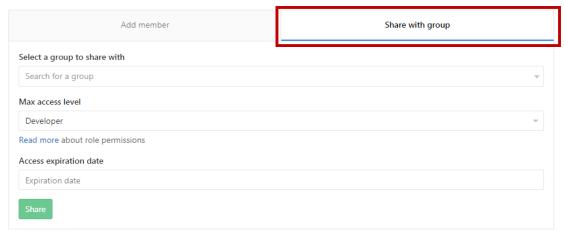




4) Click on the Share with group tab.

Project members

You can add a new member to neighborhoods or share it with another group.



5) Click on the **first drop-down list** to select the group that you want to share the project with.

Project members

You can add a new member to **neighborhoods** or share it with another group.

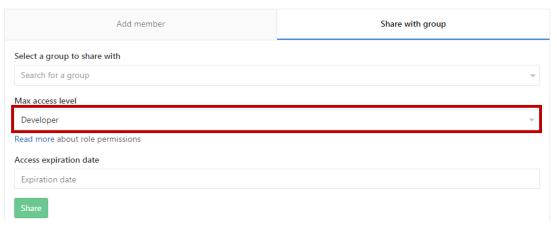


6) Select the **permission levels** that the group will have to access the project.

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Project members

You can add a new member to neighborhoods or share it with another group.





7) (Optional) Enter the date that the group will no longer have access to the project after the date.

Project members

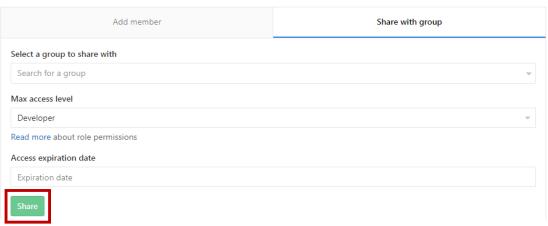
You can add a new member to **neighborhoods** or share it with another group.



8) Click on the Share button.

Project members

You can add a new member to **neighborhoods** or share it with another group.



9) You should see the group name under the **Existing members and groups** section below.

Note: The group list will only show the list of groups that the user have access or permission.

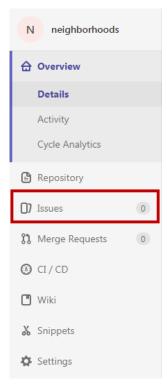


Create Issues

Creating issues will allow users to know the type of errors or problems that are consistently showing up in the project. This will create an area where users can track and manage the list of to-dos that may have certain level of issues.

To create issues:

- 1) Click on the project name.
- 2) At the left-side bar, click on Issues tab.



3) Click on the **New issue** button.



- 4) Follow the instructions below to submit the issue:
 - a. Type in the title of the issue.

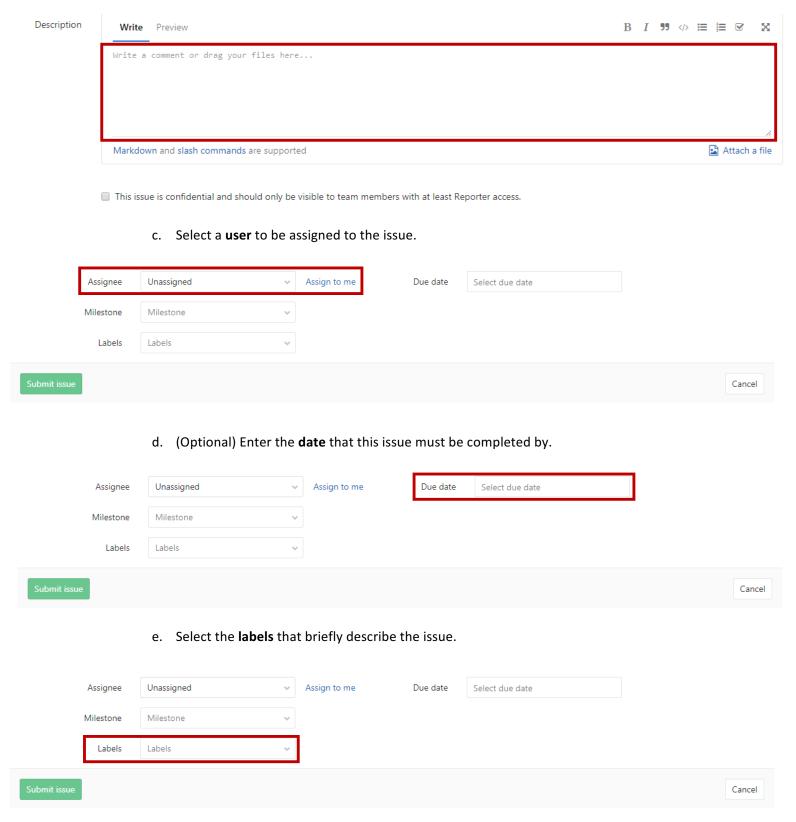
New Issue

Title

Add description templates to help your contributors communicate effectively!

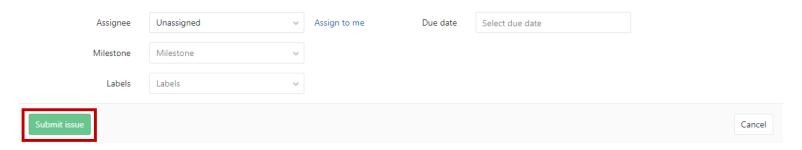


b. **Describe** the issue in the text field provided.





5) Click on the **Submit issue** button.





Create Issue Labels

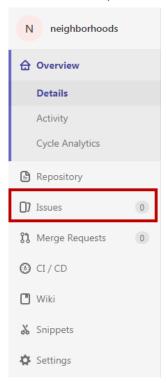
Creating labels for issues helps keep people organized and easily track the types of issues as well as its status of resolution. Labels allows users to quickly glance at the issue on the broader scale to gain a good amount of information of what the issue is about. This way, those issues can be directed to someone who has more knowledge about certain things and can quickly access that issue.

Note: Only Administrator can create global labels. However, the global labels that are newly added will not automatically appeared if the projects existed before creating the labels. They will need to manually add it in the project repository.

Note: Creating issue labels in the steps below only creates the labels for the issues within that certain project. This means that these labels are not global and must be created in every project.

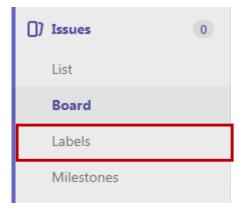
To create issue labels:

- 1) Click on the project name.
- 2) At the left-side bar header, click on the Issues option.





3) Click on the **Labels** option.

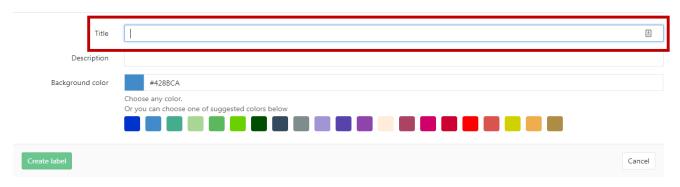


4) On the right side, click on the **New label** button.



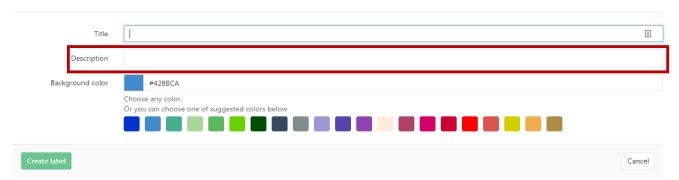
5) Type in the **name** of the label.

New Label



6) (Optional) Enter the **description** of the label.

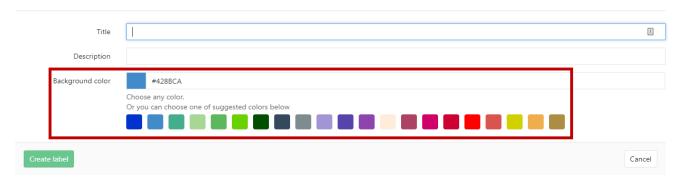
New Label





7) Select a **color** to represent the new label visually.

New Label



8) Click on the Create label button.

New Label



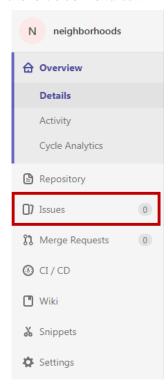


Using Issues Board/List

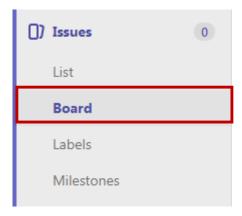
Using the issue board/list will help keep users organized and visualize the current progress of the project in terms of things to do on the list or fixing a certain problem. Users can view and decide between themselves or with group about certain items with statuses, such as *not started*, *in progress*, or *completed*.

To add a new category in the issue board:

- 1) Click on the project name.
- 2) Click on the Issues option on the left-side menu bar.



3) Click on the **Board** tab underneath the first header.

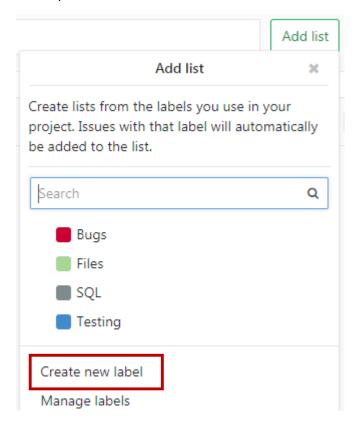




4) On the right side of the page, click on the **Add list** button.

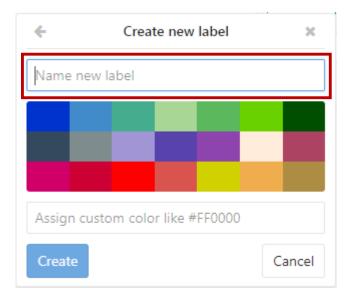


5) Select **create new label** option.



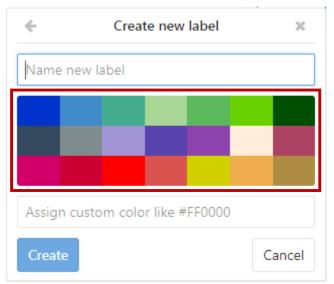


6) Enter the new label **name** into the text field provided.

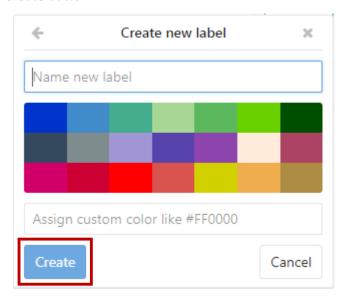


7) Choose the **color** to represent the label.





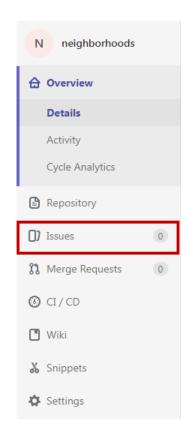
8) Click on the Create button.



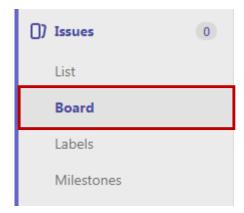
To move the category around in the issue board:

- 1) Click on the project name.
- 2) Click on the Issues option.





3) Click on the **Board** tab.



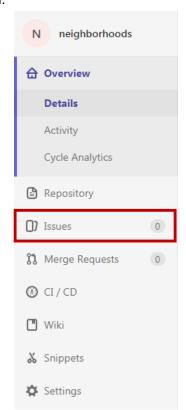
- 4) Click and hold on the **category** on the board.
- 5) Drag and drop on the **location** to where you want the category to be placed on the board.

To remove the category in issue board:

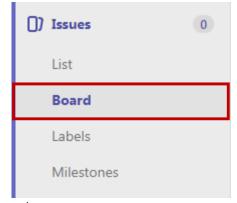
1) Click on the project name.



2) Click on the Issues option.



3) Click on the **Board** tab.



4) Locate the **category** that you want to remove.



5) Click on the **tiny trash icon** on the same row as the category name.







User Settings

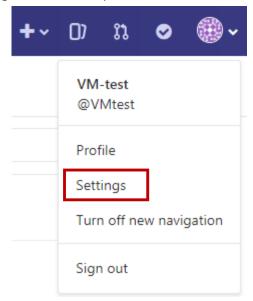
Each users have their own settings where they can configure a bit on their home page appearance as well as the things that they want to view first when logged in. For Administrator's settings, you'll find more information provided in the **Administrator Settings** section in the *Other Mentions*.

To change profile picture:

1) Click on the **image** at the top right of the web page.



2) Click on the Settings tab on the drop-down list.

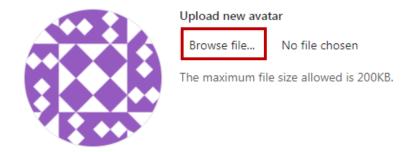


3) In the Public Avatar section, click on the Browse file... button.

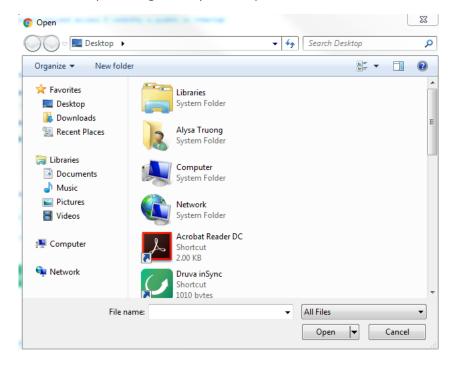


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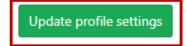
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4) Locate and choose your image from your computer.



5) Scroll down to the bottom of the page and click on **Update profile settings** button.



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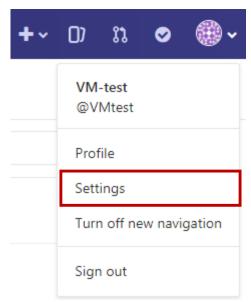
To change GitLab appearance:

1) Click on your **profile picture** at the top right of the page.

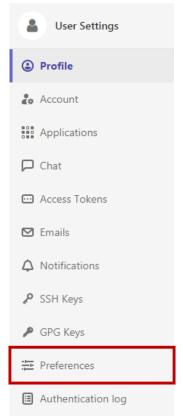


2) Click on the Settings tab.





3) At the left-side bar, click on the **Preferences** tab.



4) In the **Syntax highlighting theme** section, select which option you prefer in viewing codes on the GitLab.

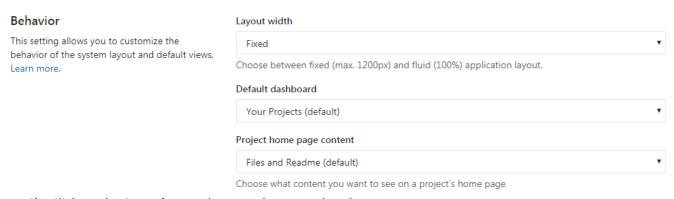


Syntax highlighting theme

This setting allows you to customize the appearance of the syntax. Learn more.



5) In the **Behavior** section, select how you would like to view your home page when you first logged in onto GitLab.



6) Click on the Save changes button when completed.

Save changes

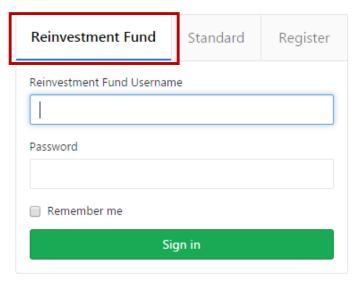


Logging into GitLab

This section explains how to login into the GitLab server for the first time as Reinvestment Fund users. When logging into the GitLab server, users will need to use their window credentials. As the users changed their password every 3 months, the new password is used as it syncs up with LDAP.

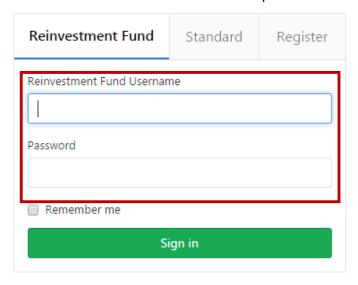
To log into GitLab:

- 1) Head over to GitLab.
- 2) Make sure that the **Reinvestment Fund** tab is selected.



Didn't receive a confirmation email? Request a new one.

3) Enter your window credentials into the correct text fields provided.

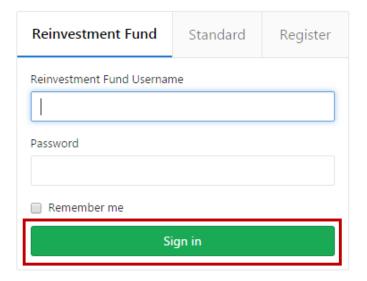


Didn't receive a confirmation email? Request a new one.



4) Click on the Sign In button.

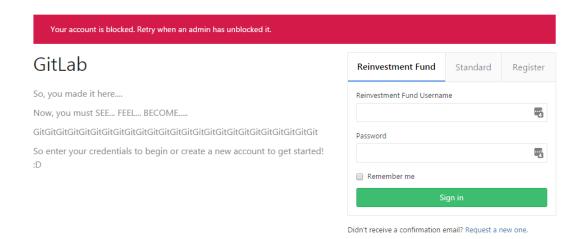
Note: For first-time users logging into the site, follow the steps below.



Didn't receive a confirmation email? Request a new one.

5) The page redirects back to the login page again with a **red banner message**. The error message should displayed, "Your account is blocked. Retry when an admin has unblocked it."





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6) Email the **IT Help Desk** to notify them that you are logging into GitLab for the first time and need assistance in unblocking your account. They will notify you by email when the process has been completed.



- 7) Once you received a **confirmation email** from the IT Help Desk, head back to **GitLab**. Login back in again with your **window credentials**.
- 8) You should see **GitLab home page** once the page finished loading.



Other Mentions

Below states other sections that it is worth understanding as part of learning GitLab and its workflow.

Permission Levels

Permission levels for users in a group or even in personal projects are very important to make sure that the contents or data contain within are not altered accidently by someone who should not have access in the first place. As the owner of the project repository and/or group, users can manage users on who has permission to access the group or project as well as what they can do or not do.

Below is the brief summary of the permission levels that users can choose to assign others as:

➤ Guest

Users who have guest permission have very limited access to the group or project. This means that guest cannot do much to the project as they only have access to the issues of the project or group. They are able to create new issues, create and view confidential issues, view wiki pages, and leave comments. Therefore, guests have no access to the code at all.

Reporter

Users with reporter permission gain the guest ability as well as their own. Unlike guests, reporters can only read the project repository but cannot touch it directly. This means that reporters has read access to the code so they can only fork the project. This option is given for those that you do not want to make changes directly but still want to give access to the code and option to work on their own fork.

Developer

Developer permissions can read and write to the project repository directly. This means that developer are not forced to use the merge request when making changes to the project as Reporters are required if they want to make any edits. The best way to remember the permission of developers is that they have regular access to the project in reading and writing; nothing more, nothing less.

Master

Masters have the same ability as developers but with partial administrative access. This means that Master can read and write to the project repository (similar to developer permissions) but also approve or reject merge requests on the Owner's behalf. They can edit the project as well as add new members to the group/project.

Owner

As an owner, the user has complete control over the project and/or group. This means that this user is runs the whole group by adding new users to the group, removing users from the group,



changing permission levels of users, creating new subgroups (if owner of the parent group as well), managing and overseeing the settings of the group and/or project.

Application Integrations

Users can integrate various applications with GitLab that would help provide a smooth and productive workflow between users and projects. The main applications are Slack and Trello. However, it depends on if the team decides they would like to use Slack and/or Trello to help in keeping organizing and communicating between each other at any time of the day.

To read more information about application integrations, please visit the <u>GitLab</u> webpage.

