

CSC 202, Getting a Twitter Developer Account

In a few weeks we will learn how to access and analyze data from Twitter. In order to prepare for this, you should do the following:

1. Sign up for a Twitter account if you do not already have one: <https://twitter.com/>
2. Sign up for a developer account by following the instructions here: <https://developer.twitter.com/en/portal/petition/essential/basic-info>
3. Answer the questions to get “Essential access”.
 - For the questions, *What’s your use case*, select **Student**
 - For the question, *Will you make Twitter content or derived information available to a government entity or a government affiliated entity?*, select **No**
4. Click Next and agree to the Developer agreement & policy.
5. Verify your e-mail.
6. You will need to create an “app”. Give your app a name, such as CSC-202, and click Get keys.



7. Copy the API Key, API Key Secret, and Bearer Token to the *credentials.py* file and save this file in a safe place. The API Key and API Key Secret will effectively act as your user name and password for accessing Twitter using Python. Do not share these keys with anybody (because this will give someone access to your Twitter account). You will need this file in class to work with Twitter data in Python.

