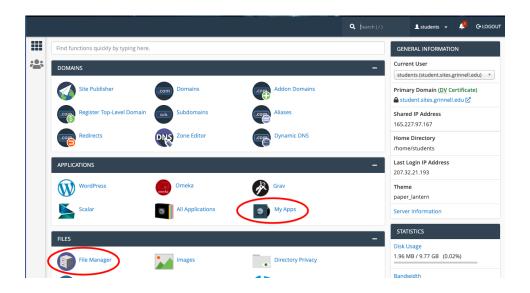
Academic Domain/Website for CSC 151 Students

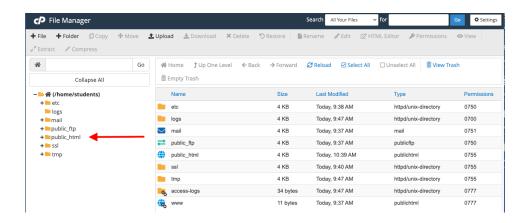
- After requesting an academic domain, you will receive an email with this document
- To access your domain, when you are logged in to the Grinnell College network, go to https://sites.grinnell.edu
- In the navigation menu at the top of the page, click on "cPanel Dashboard." This is single sign-on (SSO), so you should not have to enter any credentials such as username/password:



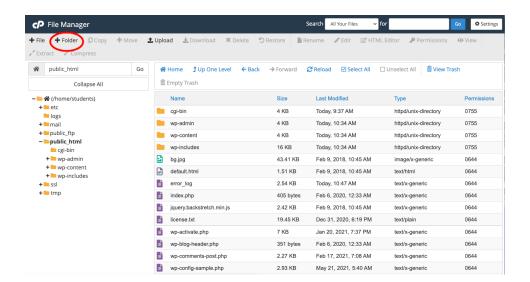
• This will take you to your cPanel, the administrative area for your web hosting account. There are many controls and icons here, but you will only need to deal with a few of them, including "My Apps" in the Applications module and "File Manager" in the Files module:



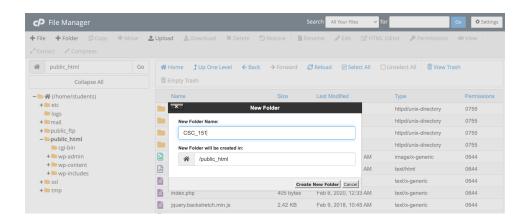
 For CSC 151, I believe you will complete various assignments using basic web authoring and development tools (not WordPress). Follow the instructions of your professors ... you will probably need to create a folder inside your File Manager in order to complete these exercises.
 From the cPanel, click on "File Manager" in order to see the directory structure of your domain.
 After you click on "File Manager," you'll see a page like this:



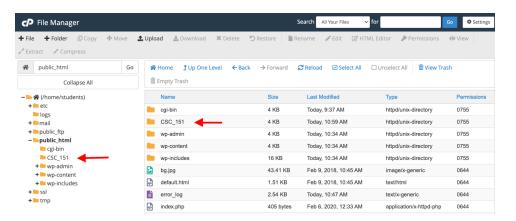
• Here, you will want to look for a folder called "public_html." This is the folder than contains all the files that will be visible to someone who visits your domain. When you open that folder, you will see a bunch of WordPress files in there ... you don't need to do anything with them. What you will want to do is to create a new folder that will hold your materials for the assignments in CSC 151. To do that, when you have public_html open, click the +Folder icon in the upper left:



• Create a new folder called "CSC 151":



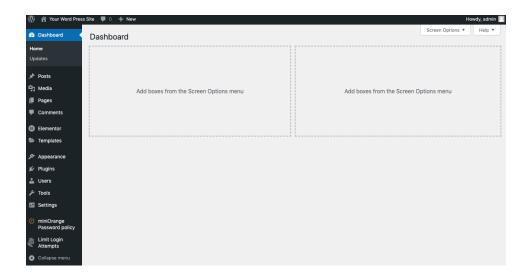
• That folder will then show up in the director of folders and files. Its path will be https://student.sites.grinnell.edu/CSC_151/ (of course, substitute your primary domain name here for "student"). You can put files and subfolders into CSC_151 for your class assignments. To do that, you can open that folder and drag and drop files into it from your desktop, or use the "+File" or "Upload" items in the menu. Your professor may also have you add files via Secure File Transfer Protocol (SFTP), which requires a desktop client such as Cyberduck or Filezilla to connect to the server that is hosting your account. If so, this will be further explained.



- You should now be all set to complete the assignments for CSC 151.
- WordPress has also been installed in your primary domain (the URL you requested when you filled out the form to create the account). To access your WordPress site, click on "My Apps" from the cPanel dashboard, which will bring you to a page that lists all of your installed applications. On this page, you can access the WordPress admin dashboard (which is different from the cPanel admin dashboard) by clicking the link that ends in /wp-admin. Again, you should not have to enter any credentials:



That will bring you to your WP dashboard, where you can design and develop a WordPress site.
We have basic documentation at https://sites.grinnell.edu/support/wordpress-community-docs/, and you can always contact us at dlac@grinnell.edu for support with designing and developing your site.



- Now that you have web hosting and your own domain, you can use these resources in your other classes and projects. You have the opportunity to build on the Web, create additional subdomains, start a blog, etc. You might think about using your domain to begin building a portfolio of your academic and professional work, so that by the time you get to fourth year and are seeking a job, grad school admission, a grant, or some other opportunity, you will have an attractive website to display your best work, reference your resume, etc. WordPress is a very good platform for a portfolio. As long as you are a student at the college, there is no cost to you, and you have access to our support services.
- As always, we are here to help. If you have any questions, consult your professors and/or contact us at dlac@grinnell.edu.