

Running your own Decision Makers

Satisfy Dependencies (0-50 mins)

1. Ensure that you have the following components installed:

- git (<http://git-scm.com/download>)
- latest version of ruby (<http://www.ruby-lang.org/en/downloads/>)
- latest version of rubygems (<http://docs.rubygems.org/read/chapter/3>)

2. Clone the latest copy of the Decision Makers project:

- open Terminal or Command Line
- type `git clone git@github.com:plaidlock/decision-makers.git`
- once the repository is cloned, browse to your local copy

I want to run Decision Makers on a local server (90 mins)

3. Download and install Passenger (<http://www.modrails.com/>)
4. Copy the contents of the `application` folder in step 2 to the web root of your server
5. Follow the instructions for Passenger and your web server documentation
6. You'll need to install all the required dependencies. First, install bundler (`gem install bundler`)
7. Open Terminal or Command Line in the root of your application and type `bundle install` - this will install all necessary dependencies
8. The application needs a database and seed data to function correctly - issue the command `heroku rake db:migrate && heroku rake db:seed`. This will create a default admin user with the credentials:

 username: admin
 password: test
9. Login to the system and begin creating scholars

I don't have a server - I just want Decision Makers to work (10 mins)

If you do not have a server, you can still run Decision Makers using free hosting provided by Heroku. To get started, you must have Git, Ruby, and RubyGems installed. There are numerous resources on the Internet to assist in these tasks.

3. Open Terminal or Command Line in the directory of the application you cloned in step 2

4. Install the `heroku` gem:

- in Terminal or Command Line and type `gem install heroku`

- once the gem is installed, create your application using the command `heroku create [APP_NAME]`

- for example, if I wanted to name my app `decision-makers-carnegie-mellon`, I would type

`heroku create decision-makers-carnegie-mellon`

5. Type `git push heroku master` and follow the instructions

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7. Once the slug is compiled, you can visit `[APP_NAME].heroku.com` and see your application and begin creating scholars