**Simple File Upload with Express.js and Formidable in Node.js**

Here’s a very simple upload example with express 4+ and formidable. According to [Express doc](http://shiya.io/%22http:/expressjs.com/api.html#req%5C%22):

In Express 4, req.files is no longer available on the req object by default. To access uploaded files on the req.files object, use a multipart-handling middleware like busboy, multer, formidable, multiparty, connect-multiparty, or pez.

So here’s an example combining the two.

The code is going to save the files you upload in disk under the folder /uploads in the root directory of the project.

**1. Setup**

Create a new directory for your files. Create two new files called app.js and index.html.  
cd into the directory and type npm install --save formidable and npm install --save express.  
Use npm init to save these settings.

**2. The Code**

app.js

var express = require('express');

var formidable = require('formidable');

var app = express();

app.get('/', function (req, res){

res.sendFile(\_\_dirname + '/index.html');

});

app.post('/', function (req, res){

var form = new formidable.IncomingForm();

form.parse(req);

form.on('fileBegin', function (name, file){

file.path = \_\_dirname + '/uploads/' + file.name;

});

form.on('file', function (name, file){

console.log('Uploaded ' + file.name);

});

res.sendFile(\_\_dirname + '/index.html');

});

app.listen(3000);

index.html

<!DOCTYPE html>

<html>

<head>

<title>Simple Upload Example</title>

</head>

<body>

<form action="/" enctype="multipart/form-data" method="post">

<input type="file" name="upload" multiple>

<input type="submit" value="Upload">

</form>

</body>

</html>

1. Run the Code  
   Go to http://localhost:3000/ to try it out.