

AWS Free Credits read me first

Résumé: You should read these guidelines before starting the Cloud-1 subject.

Chapitre I

Credit activation AWS



If you wish to use credits provided by AWS and go beyond your limit, you will be charged. Read the general instructions as well as the different ways you can use your credits carefully. Don't forget to turn off the services you're not using. In short, be careful. The responsibility is yours. We provide all the tools for this project to cost you absolutely nothing.

You find yourself in a REAL work environment. Your decisions will have REAL consequences.

To help you achieve the "Cloud" project, 42 and AWS signed a partnership. Just like any AWS client, you will benefit from the "free tier" (free use of specific services for 1 year). Carefully read the AWS doc so you find out the free services and the paid ones. For instance, you will only able to use specific servers with monthly time limits. In addition to this free tier, AWS is offering every 42 student free credits to help them achieve the cloud subjects.

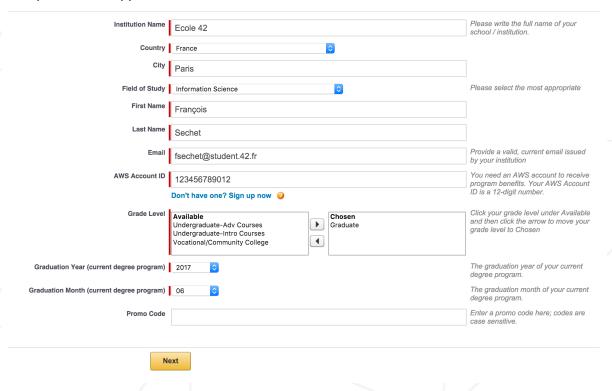
You will have to create an AWS account with your student mail address (login@student.42.fr) following this URL:https://aws.amazon.com/fr/. You will need a working credit card which will be automatically charged if you're using resources that your credits or free tier cannot support, or if you're going beyond the credits you've been awarded.

Once you have created your AWS account, get your 12 digits account number (to the upper right corner of the "AWS console" > my account, or here https://console.aws.amazon.com/billing/home?#/account). Then go to the "AWS educate" platform: https://aws.amazon.com/fr/education/awseducate/apply/, select "Students" and fill out the form.

You must ABSOLUTELY include your mail address like this: login@student.42.fr, and indicate the year you expect to leave 42 (showing on your student card, which should be your arrival year +3) as your graduation year. Don't mind the graduation month section. In the end, this should look like this (with your personal informations of course):

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Step 2. Fill out Application



Shortly after, you should receive a confirmation mail. If you have not received anything after a couple of days, go check you spam folder before complaining.

This mail should include an activation key for your credits. Sign-up to your AWS console and to your account section. Select "Credits" in the left column and copy/paste that key in the "promotional code" field. Type the security code and agree.

After this operation, your credits should be activated. If you're facing difficulties during this operation, go find help in the forum or Slack.

I remind you that although AWS offers some gratuity and free credits, all of this is limited. If you use resource-intensive services, you will end up getting charged. Don't forget to turn off the unused services. Find documentation. Help each others. Every subject in this project series include important points regarding cost management. Try to be smart!

Good luck!