

OAuth 2 services on Moodle

To allow Google account users to login directly to Moodle platform

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Note: This tutorial uses the Moodle instance of Toyohashi University of Technology (TUT) as the demonstration case. This site is not registered publicly as the Moodle site.

TUTORIAL BEGINS BELOW:

On Moodle, it allows third-party accounts to directly login to Moodle. They include: Google, Microsoft, Facebook, Nextcloud, LinkedIn, and other custom services.

The screenshot displays the Moodle administration interface for 'OAuth 2 services'. The breadcrumb trail is: Dashboard > Site administration > Server > OAuth 2 services. The main content area shows a table of configured services. The 'Google' service is the only one listed, with status indicators for 'Configured', 'Allow login', and 'Discovery' all being green checkmarks, while 'System account connected' is a red 'X'. Below the table, there are buttons to 'Create new' services for Google, Microsoft, Facebook, Nextcloud, LinkedIn, and custom services. The left sidebar contains the Moodle navigation menu, and the right sidebar shows 'Admin bookmarks' with links like 'Front page settings', 'Maintenance mode', 'Automated backup setup', and 'Bookmark this page'.

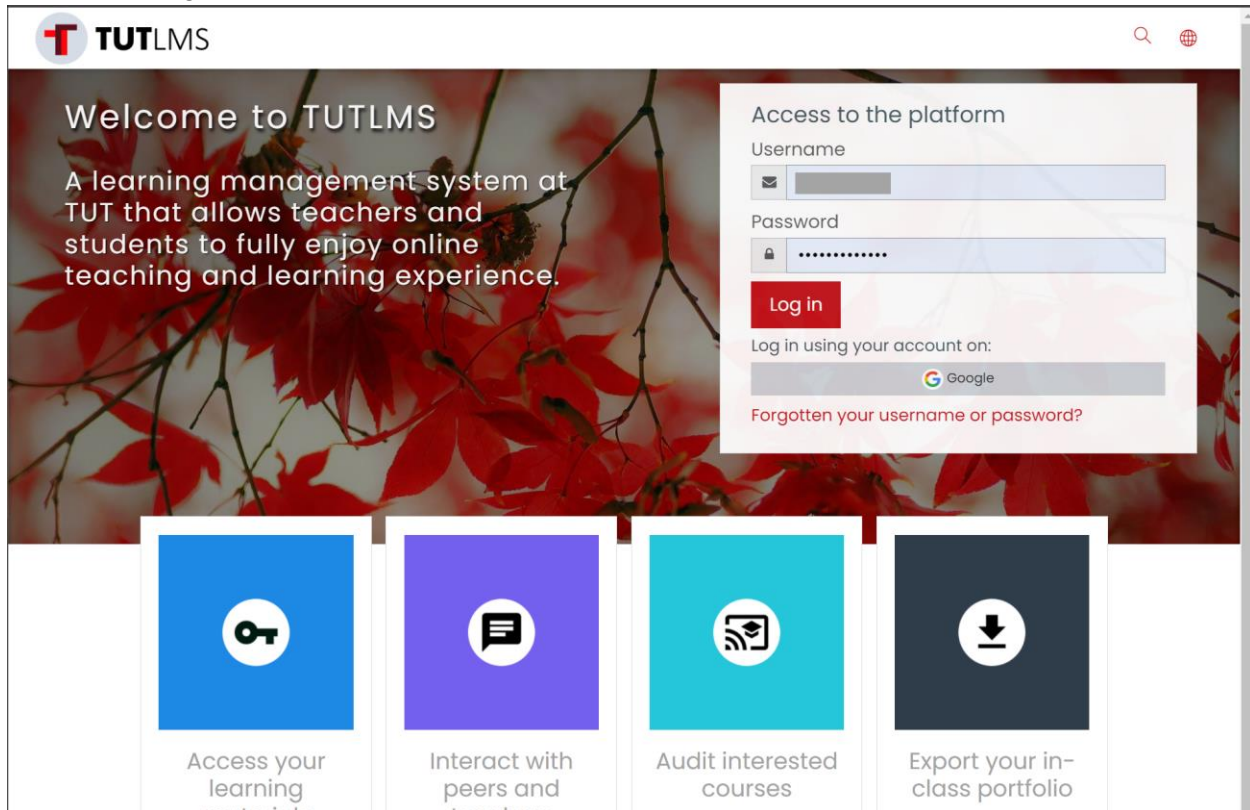
Because TUT is using G suits as an organization. Therefore, every TUT user basically has one Google account. That is why we can login directly to external platforms such as <https://medium.com/> using our TUT Gmail account without any effort of signing up.

The same rationale works for Moodle.

This documentation guides you to finish such a bridging, and what needs to be done. Two sides of efforts are required:

- Google side
- Moodle side

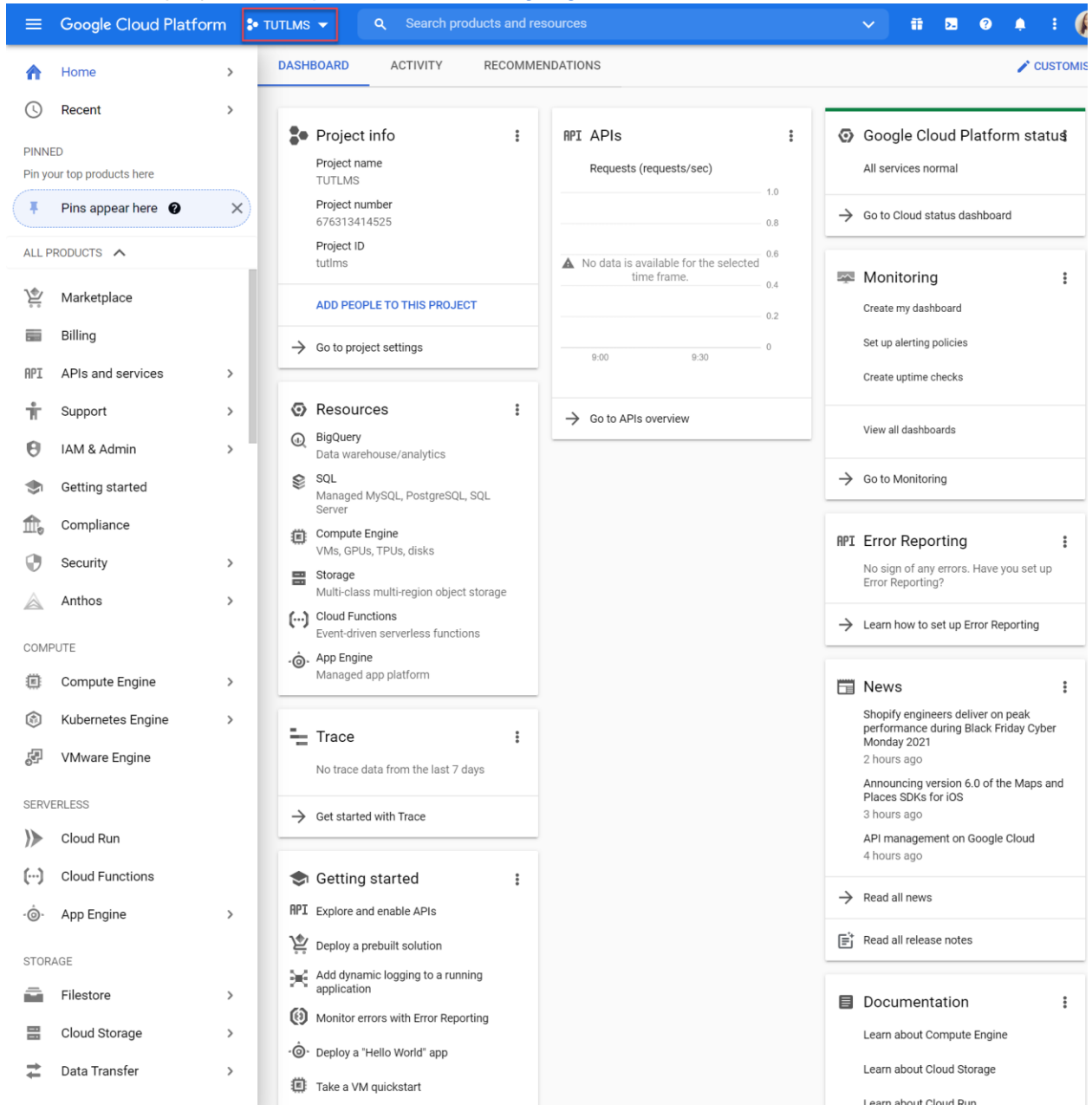
At the end of the configuration, you will see the following screen on your homepage, which allows the users to login directly with their existing Google account by clicking the Google logo under the “Log in” button.



Part I: Google side

Step 1: Create a new project

Create a new project on <https://console.cloud.google.com/>



Click the red square will activate a pop-up window, as shown below.

The screenshot shows the Google Cloud Platform console interface. A 'Select a project' dialog box is open in the center. The dialog has a search bar at the top with the placeholder text 'Search projects and folders'. Below the search bar are three tabs: 'RECENT', 'STARRED', and 'ALL'. The 'RECENT' tab is selected, showing a list of projects. The first project in the list is 'TUTLMS' with ID 'tutlms'. The second project is 'Testing App' with ID 'testing-app-333606'. There are three more projects listed, each with a star icon and a question mark. At the bottom right of the dialog, there are two buttons: 'CANCEL' and 'OPEN'. A red box highlights the 'NEW PROJECT' button in the top right corner of the dialog.

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Filestore

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Data Transfer

Project info

Project name
TUTLMS

Project number
676313414525

Project ID
tutlms

APIs

Requests (requests/sec)

1.0

0.8

0.6

0.4

No data is available for the selected time frame.

Google Cloud Platform status

All services normal

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sign of any errors. Have you set up Error Reporting?

how to set up Error Reporting

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API Explore and enable APIs

Deploy a prebuilt solution

Add dynamic logging to a running application

Monitor errors with Error Reporting

Deploy a "Hello World" app

Take a VM quickstart

Select a project

Search projects and folders

RECENT STARRED ALL

Name ID

✓ ☆ TUTLMS ? tutlms

☆ Testing App ? testing-app-333606

☆ ?

☆ ?

☆ ?

CANCEL OPEN

NEW PROJECT

Click "New project".

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New Project

You have 4 projects remaining in your quota. Request an increase or delete projects. [Learn more](#)

[MANAGE QUOTAS](#)

Project name *
My Project 83234

Project ID: eminent-prism-333800. It cannot be changed later. [EDIT](#)

Location *
No organisation [BROWSE](#)

Parent organisation or folder

[CREATE](#) [CANCEL](#)

Give a name to your project, select the organization if you use a G suites admin account.
Because I use a personal Gmail account, therefore I skip the field of “Location” and directly click “Create” button to proceed.

You will be directed to the new project's admin home page as shown below.

Click “APIs and services” from the left menu in order to proceed to the next step.

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Project info

Project name
My Project 62289

Project number

Project ID

[ADD PEOPLE TO THIS PROJECT](#)

[Go to project settings](#)

APIs

Requests (requests/sec)

No data is available for the selected time frame.

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Google Cloud Platform status

All services normal

[Go to Cloud status dashboard](#)

Monitoring

Create my dashboard

Set up alerting policies

Create uptime checks

View all dashboards

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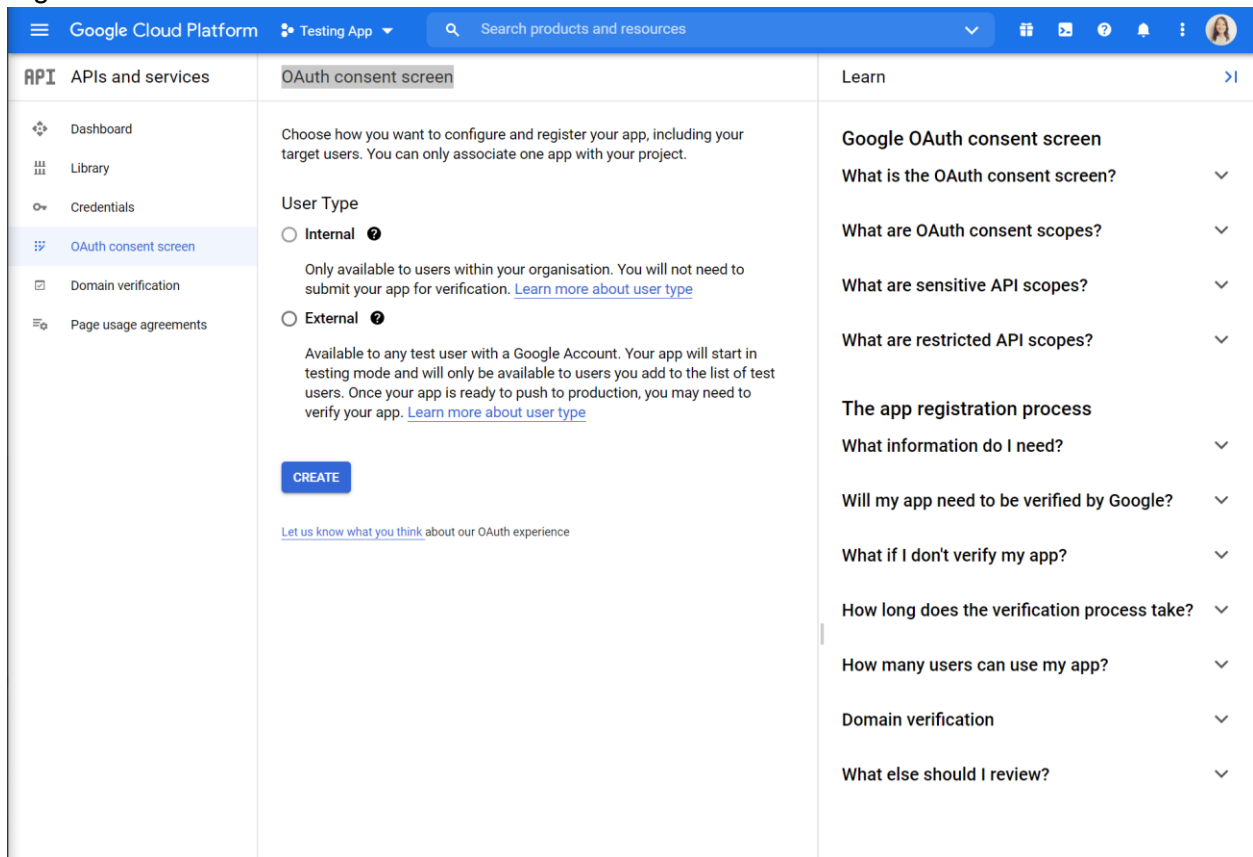
API Error Reporting

No sign of any errors. Have you set up Error Reporting?

Step 2: Create a new OAuth consent screen

As for how to arrive at the APIs and services page, as you see below in the screenshot below, please refer to previous page.

Create a new OAuth consent screen (see the screenshot below). Choose Internal if you have a G suites admin account to limit the authentication to apply to only users within your organization. Select External, which is available to any test user with a Google account. For this documentation, I selected external because I do not have a G suites admin account in my organization.



You will be directed to the following page as shown in the screenshot below. Give your App a name that you can recognize later. Insert the support email. Upload a logo if you want.

Continue to input your LMS's domain URL under "Application home page", and provide the links to the privacy policy page and terms of service link. They can be the same URL.

Add your organization's domains under "Authorised domains". In my case, I typed **tut.ac.jp** and **tut.jp** as two variations of my university.

In the end, input the developer contact email address.

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App information

This shows in the consent screen, and helps end users know who you are and contact you

App name *

TUTLMS

The name of the app asking for consent

User support email *

For users to contact you with questions about their consent

App logo

BROWSE

Upload an image, not larger than 1 MB on the consent screen that will help users recognise your app. Allowed image formats are JPG, PNG and BMP. Logos should be square and 120px by 120px for the best results.

App domain

To protect you and your users, Google only allows apps using OAuth to use Authorised Domains. The following information will be shown to your users on the consent screen.

Application home page

https://lms.cite.tut.ac.jp

Provide users a link to your home page

Application privacy policy link

https://lms.cite.tut.ac.jp/admin/tool/policy/view.php?versionid=2&returnurl=https%3A

Provide users a link to your public privacy policy

Application Terms of Service link

https://lms.cite.tut.ac.jp/admin/tool/policy/view.php?versionid=2&returnurl=https%3A

Provide users a link to your public Terms of Service

Authorised domains

When a domain is used on the consent screen or in an OAuth client's configuration, it must be pre-registered here. If your app needs to go through verification, please go to the [Google Search Console](#) to check if your domains are authorised. [Learn more](#) about the authorised domain limit.

tut.ac.jp

tut.jp

+ ADD DOMAIN

Developer contact information

Email addresses *

Learn

How is this info presented to users?

This is the consent screen that users see

Sign in with Google

1

[Display Name] wants access to your Google Account

2

Select what [Display Name] can access

3

Make sure you trust [Display Name]

Cancel

Allow

1. The logo and name of your app

A logo is recommended, but it is not required

2. The email address that users can use to contact you and a list of scopes

Scopes are your app's specific requests for access to a user's Google Account and what data will be shared.

You will add scopes in the next step.

3. The links to your app's Privacy Policy and Terms of Service

This section also includes:

- A sentence that describes how a user can manage access to their Google Account
- A link to a Google article that describes how Google helps users share their data safely

Click "Save and continue" button to save all inputs.

You will continue to the "Scopes" page. I only selected non-sensitive scopes to pass non-sensitive information such as email address and first name/last name from Google account to Moodle.

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Scopes express the permissions that you request users to authorise for your app and allow your project to access specific types of private user data from their Google Account. [Learn more](#)

If you add sensitive (🔒) or restricted (🔒) scopes, like scopes that let you access a user's emails or contacts, you will need to submit your app for verification. [Learn more](#)

ADD OR REMOVE SCOPES

Your non-sensitive scopes

●	API ↑	Scope	User-facing description	
		../auth/userinfo.email	See your primary Google Account email address	🗑
		../auth/userinfo.profile	See your personal info, including any personal info you've made public available	🗑
		openid	Associate you with your personal info on Google	🗑

🔒 Your sensitive scopes

Sensitive scopes are scopes that request access to private user data.

●	API ↑	Scope	User-facing description
No rows to display			

🔒 Your restricted scopes

Restricted scopes are scopes that request access to highly sensitive user data.

●	API ↑	Scope	User-facing description
No rows to display			

Click “Save and continue” button to save all inputs.

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You can speed up the verification process by providing Google reviewers with further helpful details about your app.

Optional info

Share email addresses of any Google contacts that you've had in the past

Share any final details about your app. Include any information that will help us with verification, like the Project IDs of any other projects that use OAuth.

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Provide up to three more links to any relevant documentation

SAVE AND CONTINUE CANCEL

I will leave everything empty here on the page of “Optional info”.

Click “Save and continue” button to save all inputs.

You have finished creating the OAuth consent screen.

Step 3: Create new credentials - Client ID and secret

As for how to arrive at the APIs and services page, as you see below in the screenshot, please refer to Page 5.

Click “Credentials” on the left menu of the page.

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APIs and services

- Dashboard
- Library
- Credentials**
- OAuth consent screen
- Domain verification
- Page usage agreements

Credentials + CREATE CREDENTIALS DELETE

Create credentials to access your enabled APIs. [Learn more](#)

API keys

<input type="checkbox"/>	Name	Creation date ↓	Restrictions	Key	Actions
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	API key 1	29 Nov 2021	HTTP referrers	AIzaSyB074...	

OAuth 2.0 Client IDs

<input type="checkbox"/>	Name	Creation date ↓	Type	Client ID	Actions
<input type="checkbox"/>	TUT CITE LMS	29 Nov 2021	Web application	676313414...	

Service Accounts [Manage service accounts](#)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Email	Name ↑	Actions
No service accounts to display			

Click the “+Create credentials” button.

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Service Accounts [Manage service accounts](#)

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No service accounts to display			

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Service Accounts [Manage service accounts](#)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Email	Name ↑	Actions
No service accounts to display			

API key
Identifies your project using a simple API key to check quota and access

OAuth client ID
Requests user consent so that your app can access the user's data.

Service account
Enables server-to-server, app-level authentication using robot accounts

Help me choose
Asks a few questions to help you decide which type of credential to use

Choose “OAuth client ID”.

The rest of the manual for this step can be found here on Github:

https://github.com/ronefel/moodle-mod_googlemeet/wiki/How-to-create-the-API-key-and-OAuth-client-ID

I will only add some additional information below.

- Leave the Authorized JavaScript origins field empty.
- In the Authorized redirect URI field, enter the URLs from your site. For me, I manage <https://lms.cite.tut.ac.jp>, therefore I have entered the following two URLs. For you, replace the “<https://lms.cite.tut.ac.jp>” with your managed domain in the following two URLs.
 - <https://lms.cite.tut.ac.jp/admin/oauth2callback.php>
 - <https://lms.cite.tut.ac.jp>

The screenshot shows the Google Cloud Platform interface for configuring a 'Client ID for Web application'. The left sidebar contains navigation links: Dashboard, Library, Credentials (selected), OAuth consent screen, Domain verification, and Page usage agreements. The main content area is titled 'Client ID for Web application' and includes a 'DOWNLOAD JSON' button (highlighted with a red box). Below this, there is a 'Name' field with the value 'TUT CITE LMS'. A message states: 'The domains of the URIs you add below will be automatically added to your OAuth consent screen as authorised domains.' Under 'Authorised JavaScript origins', there is a '+ ADD URI' button. Under 'Authorised redirect URIs', there are two input fields containing 'https://lms.cite.tut.ac.jp' and 'https://lms.cite.tut.ac.jp/admin/oauth2callback.php', with a '+ ADD URI' button below them. At the bottom are 'SAVE' and 'CANCEL' buttons. On the right side, a box contains the 'Client ID' and 'Client secret' (both masked with grey boxes), and the 'Creation date' is '29 November 2021 at 11:33:34 GMT+9'. This entire right-side box is highlighted with a red box.

On the right side of the page, you will find the Client ID and Client secret. Copy them to a safe place. Or you can click the “Download JSON” button to keep a copy of this information somewhere safe.

Step 4: Create new credentials - API key

As for how to arrive at the APIs and services page, as you see below in the screenshot, please refer to Page 5.

Click “Credentials” on the left menu of the page.

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Create credentials to access your enabled APIs. [Learn more](#)

API keys

<input type="checkbox"/>	Name	Creation date ↓	Restrictions	Key	Actions
<input type="checkbox"/>	API key 1	29 Nov 2021	HTTP referrers	AIzaSyB...70_8rY	

OAuth 2.0 Client IDs

<input type="checkbox"/>	Name	Creation date ↓	Type	Client ID	Actions
<input type="checkbox"/>	TUT CITE LMS	29 Nov 2021	Web application	676313...2...	

Service Accounts [Manage service accounts](#)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Email	Name ↑	Actions
No service accounts to display			

Click the “+Create credentials” button.

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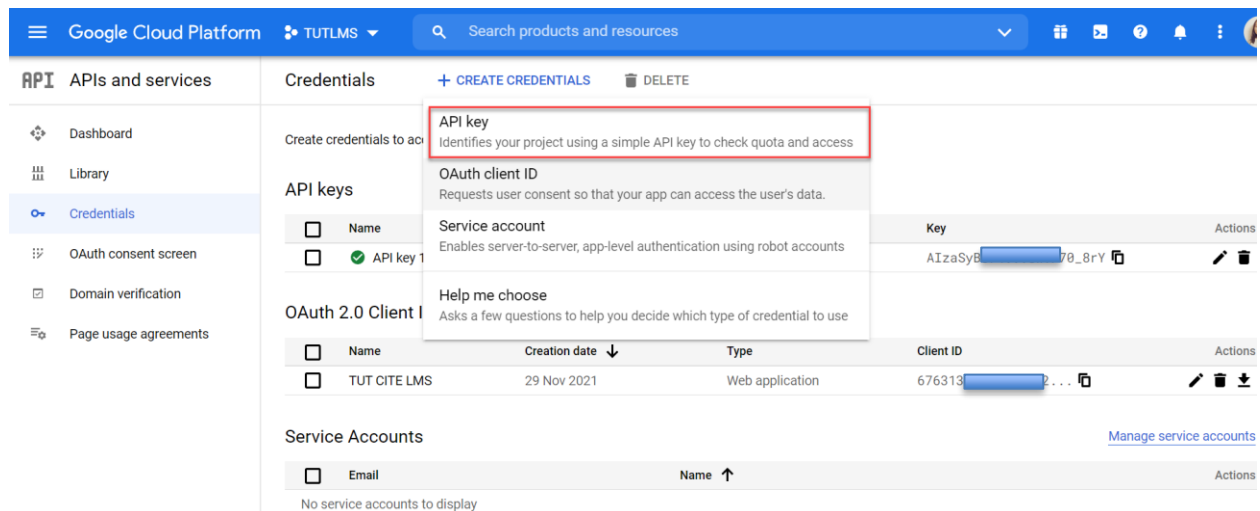
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<input type="checkbox"/>	API key 1	29 Nov 2021	HTTP referrers	AIzaSyB...70_8rY	

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Service Accounts [Manage service accounts](#)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Email	Name ↑	Actions
No service accounts to display			



The rest of the manual for this step can be found here on Github:

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You will find a screenshot showing the detail that you need to provide in the next page.

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API APIs and services Restrict and rename API key REGENERATE KEY DELETE

Name *
API key 1

Key restrictions
Restrictions help prevent unauthorised use and quota theft. [Learn more](#)

Application restrictions
An application restriction controls which websites, IP addresses or applications can use your API key. You can set one application restriction per key.

☐ None
☒ HTTP referrers (websites)
☐ IP addresses (web servers, cron jobs, etc.)
☐ Android apps
☐ iOS apps

Website restrictions
Restrict key usage requests to the specified websites.

If left blank, your API key will accept requests from any website.

https://lms.cite.tut.ac.jp
 https://lms.cite.tut.ac.jp/*
 ADD AN ITEM

API restrictions
API restrictions specify the enabled APIs that this key can call

☒ Don't restrict key
This key can call any API
☐ Restrict key

Note: It may take up to five minutes for settings to take effect.

SAVE CANCEL

API Key
[Redacted API Key]

Use this key in your application by passing it with `key=API_KEY` parameter.

Creation date 29 November 2021 at 11:38:27 GMT+9

How do I restrict my API key to specific websites?
Use an HTTP referrer to restrict the URLs that can use an API key. [Learn more](#)

Here are some examples of URLs that you can allow to set up a referrer:

- A specific URL with an exact path: `www.example.com/path`
- Any URL in a single domain with no subdomains, using a wildcard asterisk (*): `example.com/*`
- Any URL in a single subdomain, using a wildcard asterisk (*): `sub.example.com/*`
- Any subdomain or path URLs in a single domain, using wildcard asterisks (*): `*.example.com/*`
- A URL with a non-standard port: `www.example.com:8000/*`

Note: query parameters and fragments are not currently supported; they will be ignored if you include them in an HTTP referrer.

Under the “Website restrictions”, I added two links:

- <https://lms.cite.tut.ac.jp>
- https://lms.cite.tut.ac.jp/*

You can replace the “<https://lms.cite.tut.ac.jp>” with your managed domain in the above two URLs.

Your API key is shown on the top right corner of the page. Keep a copy of it in a safe place.

So far, you have finished configuring on the Google side. You are ready to move to the Moodle side for further configuration.

Part II: Moodle side

Step 1: Create a Google service

Login as administrator.

Site administration -> Server -> OAuth 2 services (as shown below)

The screenshot displays the Moodle site administration interface for a site named TUTLMS. The left sidebar contains a menu with various administrative options. The main content area shows the 'Site administration' page with a search bar and a list of administrative categories. Red arrows and boxes highlight the navigation path from 'Site administration' to 'Server' and then to 'OAuth 2 services'.

Site administration

Search

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Server

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- Session handling
- Statistics
- HTTP
- Maintenance mode
- Cleanup
- Environment
- PHP info
- Performance
- Update notifications
- File types
- OAuth 2 services**
- Moodle Adminer

Tasks

- Task processing
- Task log configuration
- Task logs
- Scheduled tasks
- Tasks running now

Email

- Outgoing mail configuration
- Incoming mail configuration
- Message handlers

Click “Create Google service” button. (I have already created a Google service before. Therefore you see a record on the page)





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OAuth 2 services

Dashboard > Site administration > Server > OAuth 2 services

OAuth 2 services

① Service provider setup instructions.

Name	Configured	Allow login	Discovery ?	System account connected ?	Edit
Google	✓	✓	✓	✗	   

Create new Google service Create new Microsoft service Create new Facebook service Create new Nextcloud service

Create new LinkedIn service Create new custom service

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🌐 <https://lms.cite.tut.ac.jp>
✉ cite-support@cite.tut.ac.jp

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Fully Experience TUTLMS

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Site administration

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Edit identity issuer: Google

OAuth 2 services

Edit identity issuer: Google

Detailed instructions on configuring the common OAuth 2 services

Name

Google

Client ID

Client secret

Authenticate token requests via HTTP headers

Scopes included in a login request.

openid profile email

Scopes included in a login request for offline access.

openid profile email

Additional parameters included in a login request.

Additional parameters included in a login request for offline access.

access_type=offline&prc

Service base URL

https://accounts.google.

Login domains

Logo URL

https://accounts.google.

Show on login page

Require email verification

Save changes

Cancel

There are required fields in this form marked .

Paste the Client ID and Client secret that you created earlier on the Google side. (Page 9-15)

Uncheck the “Require email verification”.

Leave all other settings as default.

Click “Save changes”.

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Dashboard Site administration Server OAuth 2 services

OAuth 2 services

Service provider setup instructions.

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Google	✓	✓	✓	✗	⚙️ ⚙️ 👤 🗑️ 👁️

Create new Google service Create new Microsoft service Create new Facebook service Create new Nextcloud service
Create new LinkedIn service Create new custom service

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🌐 <https://lms.cite.tut.ac.jp>
✉️ cite-support@cite.tut.ac.jp

Get the mobile app Policies Purge all caches

You will see a red cross under “System account connected”. There is actually no need to connect the system account to make the configuration work. Therefore I just ignored this red cross.

You can find more details about this step in the Moodle Manual:

https://docs.moodle.org/311/en/OAuth_2_services

However, if you use Google Drive document converter on your Moodle, you have to connect a system account here. Or else the Google Drive document converter will not work.

To manage the Document Converter:

Site administration -> Plugins -> Document converters -> Google Drive

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Dashboard Site administration Plugins Document converters Google Drive Blocks editing on

Google Drive

OAuth 2 service
fileconverter_googledrive | issuerid

Google Default: Disabled

The OAuth 2 service used to access Google Drive.

Test this converter is working properly.

Save changes

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<https://lms.cite.tut.ac.jp>
cite-support@cite.tut.ac.jp

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If I click “Test this converter is working properly.” The page will be directed to a warning message telling you that: “The OAuth service set in the document converter settings does not have a system account connected.”

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Dashboard Site administration Plugins Google Drive Test document conversion

Test document conversion

The OAuth service set in the document converter settings does not have a system account connected.

Continue

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Step 2: Manage authentication

Site administration -> Plugins -> Authentication -> Manage authentication

On the “Manage authentication” page, enable the OAuth 2 authentication method.

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Dashboard > Site administration > Plugins > Authentication > Manage authentication

Manage authentication

Available authentication plugins

Name	Users	Enable	Up/Down	Settings	Test settings	Uninstall
Manual accounts	18			Settings		
No login	0					
OAuth 2	7		▼	Settings		
MNet authentication	0		^	Settings	Test settings	
CAS server (SSO)	0			Settings	Test settings	Uninstall
External database	0			Settings	Test settings	Uninstall
Email-based self-registration	1			Settings		
LDAP server	0			Settings	Test settings	
LTI	0					Uninstall
No authentication	0			Settings		Uninstall
SAML2	0			Settings	Test settings	Uninstall
Shibboleth	0			Settings	Test settings	Uninstall
Web services authentication	0					

Click “Settings” to proceed.

☰

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OAuth 2

This authentication plugin allows users to create accounts on your site. You may want to enable the setting "authpreventaccountcreation" if you use this plugin.

Lock user fields

You can lock user data fields. This is useful for sites where the user data is maintained by the administrators manually by editing user records or uploading using the 'Upload users' facility. If you are locking fields that are required by Moodle, make sure that you provide that data when creating user accounts or the accounts will be unusable.

Consider setting the lock mode to 'Unlocked if empty' to avoid this problem.

Lock value (First name) <small>auth_oauth2 field_lock_firstname</small>	Locked ⇅	Default: Unlocked
Lock value (Surname) <small>auth_oauth2 field_lock_lastname</small>	Locked ⇅	Default: Unlocked
Lock value (Email address) <small>auth_oauth2 field_lock_email</small>	Locked ⇅	Default: Unlocked
Lock value (City/town) <small>auth_oauth2 field_lock_city</small>	Unlocked ⇅	Default: Unlocked
Lock value (Country) <small>auth_oauth2 field_lock_country</small>	Unlocked if empty ⇅	Default: Unlocked
Lock value (Language) <small>auth_oauth2 field_lock_lang</small>	Unlocked ⇅	Default: Unlocked
Lock value (Description) <small>auth_oauth2 field_lock_description</small>	Unlocked ⇅	Default: Unlocked
Lock value (Web page) <small>auth_oauth2 field_lock_url</small>	Unlocked ⇅	Default: Unlocked
Lock value (ID number) <small>auth_oauth2 field_lock_idnumber</small>	Unlocked if empty ⇅	Default: Unlocked
Lock value (Institution) <small>auth_oauth2 field_lock_institution</small>	Unlocked if empty ⇅	Default: Unlocked
Lock value (Department) <small>auth_oauth2 field_lock_department</small>	Unlocked if empty ⇅	Default: Unlocked
Lock value (Phone) <small>auth_oauth2 field_lock_phone1</small>	Unlocked ⇅	Default: Unlocked
Lock value (Mobile phone) <small>auth_oauth2 field_lock_phone2</small>	Unlocked ⇅	Default: Unlocked
Lock value (Address) <small>auth_oauth2 field_lock_address</small>	Unlocked ⇅	Default: Unlocked
Lock value (First name - phonetic) <small>auth_oauth2 field_lock_firstnamephonetic</small>	Unlocked ⇅	Default: Unlocked
Lock value (Surname - phonetic) <small>auth_oauth2 field_lock_lastnamephonetic</small>	Unlocked ⇅	Default: Unlocked
Lock value (Middle name) <small>auth_oauth2 field_lock_middlename</small>	Unlocked ⇅	Default: Unlocked
Lock value (Alternate name) <small>auth_oauth2 field_lock_alternatename</small>	Unlocked ⇅	Default: Unlocked

[Save changes](#)

I locked some values including: first name, last name, email address.

I changed the following values to unlocked if empty: country, ID number, Institution, Department.

Click “Save changes”.

Attention: there is a warning message on the top of this page.

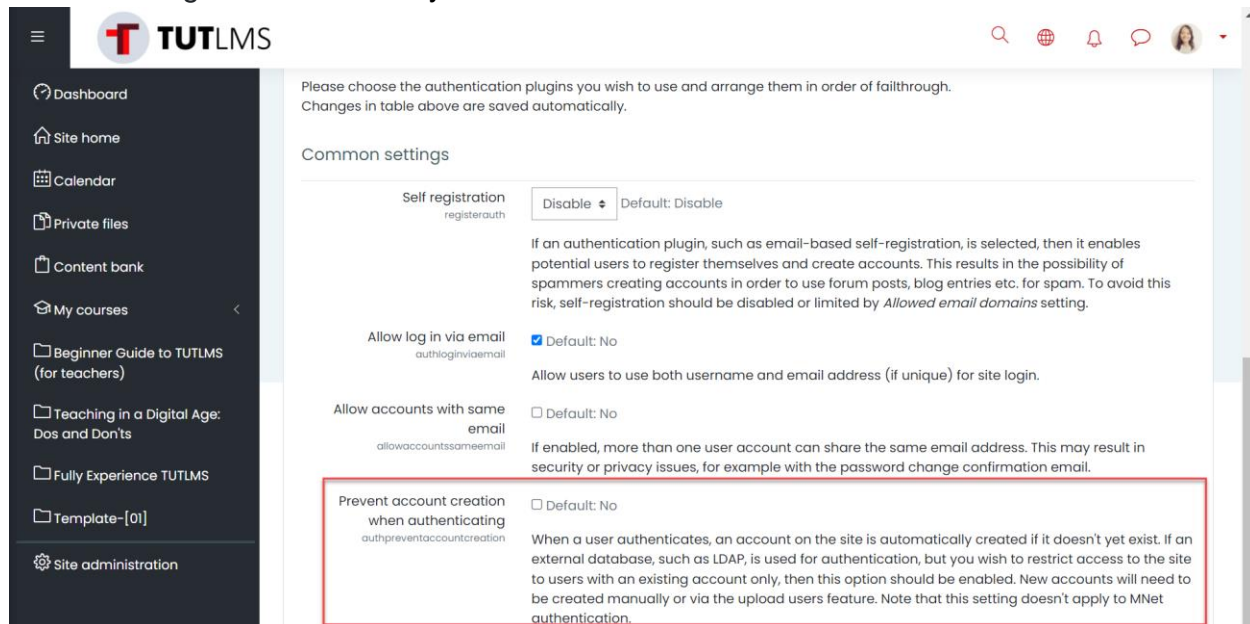
"This authentication plugin allows users to create accounts on your site. You may want to enable the setting "authpreventaccountcreation" if you use this plugin."

This is exactly where we are going next.

Go back to the “Manage authentication” page.

Scroll down the page.

Under the “Common settings”, you will find a field called “Prevent account creation when authenticating”. Make sure that you uncheck this box.



Because at the beginning, I checked it. And the configuration was awkward. It appeared that the users would need to login to their Google account first on the browser but outside this Moodle platform. If they didn't login to their Google account already and directly visited the Moodle and clicked Google logo, the page showed error when directing.

After I uncheck this box of “Prevent account creation when authenticating”, the users can actually directly login with their Google account without encountering a problem. So this is a little bit different from the warning message that you can see on Page 21.

Conclusion

The OAuth service on Moodle turned out to be an alternative login method that works for TUT email account holders. Because the TUT email account is connected to G suite service by Google. Therefore, to enable Google account login via the OAuth service actually can enable TUT email account holders to directly access to the CITE LMS without registering new accounts from scratch.

I explored this approach on my own with trial and error. The above described setup flow worked perfectly for the TUT Moodle instance. But in the end we did not adopt this approach but turned to the Shibboleth authentication. The [READ ME text file](#) serves as the guidance to installing Shibboleth on Moodle and it was implemented with the help of Information Media Center at TUT. Shibboleth turned out to be much more complicated procedure for a non system administrator role like me. Comparatively OAuth authentication method is much more friendly to master for anyone who is interested to introduce SSO in the Moodle instance.