Error message when you try to visit a Web page that is hosted on IIS 7.0: "HTTP Error 401.2 - Unauthorized"

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Resolution 1

To resolve this problem, follow these steps.

Step 1: Turn on the Windows Authentication feature

- 1. Click **Start**, type control panel in the **Start Search** box, and then click **Control Panel** in the **Programs** list.
- 2. Click Programs and Features, and then click Turn Windows features on or off.
- 3. Expand Internet Information Services, expand World Wide Web Services, and then expand Security.
- 4. Click to select the Windows Authentication check box, and then click OK.

Step 2: Add the Integrated Windows authentication native module in IIS Manager

- 1. Click Start, type Inetmgr in the Start Search box, and then click Inetmgr in the Programs list.
 - If you are prompted for an administrator password or for a confirmation, type the password, or click **Continue**.
- 2. In the **Connections** pane, expand the computer that is running IIS 7.0, expand **Web Sites**, and then click **Default Web Site**.
- 3. On the **Default Web Site Home** page, double-click **Modules**.
- 4. In the Actions pane, click Add Native Module.
- 5. In the **Add Native Module** dialog box, click to select the **WindowsAuthenticationModule** check box, and then click **OK**.

Resolution 2

Configure the Web application to use at least one authentication method. To do this, follow these steps:

- 1. Click Start, type Inetmgr in the Start Search box, and then click Inetmgr in the Programs list.
 - If you are prompted for an administrator password or for a confirmation, type the password, or click **Continue**.
- 2. In the **Connections** pane, expand the computer that is running IIS 7.0, expand **Web Sites**, and then click **Default Web Site**.
- 3. On the **Default Web Site Home** page, double-click **Authentication**.
- 4. Click one of the authentication methods, and then click **Enable** in the **Actions** pane.