

# 1. Create an Apigee evaluation organization

*If you already have your own evaluation organization, you can skip this task. It is not recommended to use a paid or team organization for these labs.*

1. Open the [account signup page](#).
2. Enter your name, email address, password, and any other required information, and agree to the terms of service and privacy policy. We recommend that you use a personal email address for creating this organization.
3. Click **Create Account**. If an error indicates that there is already a user with your username, your email address is already associated with an Apigee organization. You will need to use a different email address to create your evaluation organization.
4. When you receive an email to activate the account, click on the link to activate. You are taken into your Apigee organization.
5. If a different organization is shown, select your organization from the dropdown menu in the upper left. All of the labs should be completed using your new organization.

Note: Your evaluation organization may be deleted after 60 days. If you lose access to your organization during the course, please create another evaluation organization. You may follow the instructions in the lab to create the entities that were created in earlier labs.