

# PHP Basics

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## Basic Information

All php files must end with the .php extension

Php files should reside in a public\_html folder (on your turing account)

Set you home directory to 755 permissions using chmod

cd .. (takes you up one level to the CS home directory)

chmod 755 *yourWebID* (changes the permission on your folder)

Essential Linux commands

ls directory listing

ls -l long directory listing, including permissions

cd *folderName* change directory to a child directory

cd .. up one directory level to parent directory

cd \ or cd ~ up to home directory level

mkdir *folderName* make new directory

rm *folder/file* remove folder/file

## Comments

Single line: //

Multi-line: /\* \*/

## Operators

Unary: ++, --

Binary: +, -, \*, /, %

Compound Assignment: +=, -=, \*=, /=, \*=

Relational:

==, === (identical, including type)

!=, <>, !== (not identical)

>, >=, <, <=

Logical: &&, ||, !, and, or, xor

String:

. (concatenation)

.= (concatenation append)

**Variables** – Begin with \$ and any combination of letters, numbers, \_ (underscore), - (hyphen)

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**<?php**

***\$addOn = "again";***

***\$addOn2 = 'and again';***

***echo "First Attempt: Hello World \$addOn \$addOn2 <br />";***

***echo "Second Attempt: Hello World \$addOn {\$addOn2}";***

**?>**

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## Constants

define("varName", 'value') , case sensitive

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```
<?php
    define("DaysInYear", 365);
    echo DaysInYear."<br /><hr />";

    define("DaysInYear", 235);
    echo DaysInYear."<br /><hr />";
?>
```

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## String Functions

strtolower(\$v)

strtoupper(\$v)

ucfirst(\$word) - only first word uppercase

ucwords(\$word) – all words uppercase

trim(\$word) – trims all leading and trailing white space

str\_replace(str1, str2, \$var) – replaces all occurrence of **str1** with **str2** in variable **\$var**

strlen(\$word) – returns length of string

substr(\$third, position, lng) – substring of **\$third**, beginning at position for length **lng**

strpos(\$var, str) – returns the first occurrence of **str** in **\$var**

str\_repeat(\$word, num) – repeats **\$word num** times

strpos(\$word, str) – returns the beginning index of **str** in **\$word**

strchr(\$word, str) – returns the remaining fragment of **\$word** beginning at **str**

strcmp(\$v, \$w) - returns true if strings are equivalent (case sensitive)

strcasecmp(\$v, \$w) - returns true if strings are equivalent (case insensitive)

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```
<?php
    $first = "The quick brown fox";
    $second = "jumped over the lazy dog.";
    $third = $first;
    $third .= $second;
    $fifth = "          jumped over the lazy dog. ";

    echo "Lower: ".strtolower($first)."<br />";
    echo "Upper: ".strtoupper($second)."<br />";
    echo "First Word: ".ucfirst($second)."<br />";
    echo "All words: ".ucwords($second)."<br />";
    echo "Trim: ".trim($fifth)."<br />";
    echo "Replace: ". trim(str_replace("dog", "cat", $fifth))."<br />";
    echo "Length: ".strlen($first)."<br />";
    echo "Substring: ".substr($second, 16, 4)."<br />";
    echo "Find: ".strpos($second, "lazy")."<br />";
    echo "Repeat: {$first}.str_repeat($second, 2)."<br />";
    echo "The position of brown begins at index: ".strpos($third, "brown")."<br />";
```

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echo "String Fragment: ". strchr($third, "z") . "<br />";
echo "String comparison: ". strcmp($first, $third) . "<br />";
echo "String comparison ignoring case: ". strcasecmp($first, strtoupper($third)) . "<br />";
```

?>

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### **Numerical Functions**

abs(a) absolute value  
pow(a, b) exponentiation  $a^b$   
sqrt(a) squareroot of a  
fmod(a) modulus  
rand(); random number  
rand(min, max) – random number between min and max, inclusive  
round(a) – rounds  
ceil(a) – rounds up  
floor(a) – rounds down  
is\_int(v) – returns true if integer  
is\_float(v) – returns true if floating point  
is\_numeric(v) – returns true if numeric  
is\_nan(v) – returns true if NaN (not a number)

### **Type Juggling & Type Casting**

Note: PHP does type juggling. It will try to convert, picking out what it needs and throwing away the rest

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```
Type Juggling<br />
<?php $count = "2 cats"; ?>
Type: <?php echo gettype($count); ?><br />
```

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<?php $count += 3; ?>
Type: <?php echo gettype($count); ?><br />
```

```
<?php $cats = "I have " . $count . " cats."; ?>
Cats: <?php echo gettype($cats); ?><br />
<br />
```

```
Type Casting<br />
<?php settype($count, "integer"); ?>
count: <?php echo gettype($count); ?><br />
```

```
<?php $count2 = (string) $count; ?>
count: <?php echo gettype($count); ?><br />
count2: <?php echo gettype($count2); ?><br />
<br />
```

```
<?php $test1 = 3; ?>
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```
<?php $test2 = 3; ?>
<?php settype($test1, "string"); ?>
<?php (string) $test2; ?>
test1: <?php echo gettype($test1); ?><br />
test2: <?php echo gettype($test2); ?><br />
```

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### **User-Defined Functions**

With a return value:

```
function name($arg1, $arg2, ...) {
    // function body
    return $rtn;
}
```

With a void return:

```
function name2($arg1, $arg2, ...) {
    // function body
}
```

Using global variables:

```
function name3( $arg2) {
    global $arg1;
    // function body
    return $rtn;
}
```

Using default values (no argument value passed to function):

```
function name4($arg1=5, $arg2= 'tomorrow', ...) {
    // function body
    return $rtn;
}
```

Multiple return values:

With a return value:

```
function name5($arg1, $arg2, ...) {
    // function body
    return array($rtn1, $rtn2);
}
```

### **Control Structures (like Java)**

Selection

<pre> If (condition) {     //true } else     //false } </pre>	<pre> switch (expression) {     case <b>c1</b>:         break;      case <b>c2</b>:         break;      default: } </pre>
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## Looping

<pre> while (test) {     //loop body } </pre>	<pre> foreach(\$array as \$oneValue) {     //loop body STANDARD ARRAY } </pre>
<pre> for (initialization; test; increment) {     //loop body } </pre>	<pre> foreach(\$array as \$oneKey =&gt; \$oneValue) {     //loop body ASSOCIATIVE ARRAY } </pre>

## Standard Arrays

`$numbers = array();` **Empty array**

`$numbers2 = array(4, 8, 15, 16, 23, 42);` **Populated array where indexing begins at 0**

`$numbers2[1];` **References the element at index 1 in \$numbers2**

`$numbers3 = array(5, "b", $numbers2);` **Can mix datatypes within an array. Note that browser will just print Array for \$numbers2**

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### *arrays.php*

`<?php`

`$numbers2 = array(4, 8, 15, 16, 23, 42);`

`$numbers3 = array(5, "bear", $numbers2, "ram", 3.14);`

`echo $numbers2[1];`

`echo "<pre>"` **DEFINES pre-formatted text**

`print_r($numbers3)` **Stands for PRINT READABLE and used for debugging**

`echo "</pre>";`

`?>`

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### *Now, add to arrays.php*

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`...`

`$numbers3[7] = "mountain lion";`

```
echo "Added element <br />";
print_r($numbers3);

//Use for-each loop
foreach($numbers3 as $oneElement) {
    echo $oneElement."<br />";
}
echo "Numbers3[6]: ".$numbers3[6]."<br />";
```

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### **Associative Arrays**

- key-value pairs instead of indexing
- indexed by key
- use key: `arrayName["keyName"];`
- `$assoc = array("fname" => "Kristi", "lname" => "Davidson");`

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```
<?php
    $assoc = array("fname" => "Kristi", "lname" => "Davidson");
    echo $assoc["fname"]. " ".$assoc["lname"];
?>
```

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