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Guide to getting the 4 Twitter Keys (Twitter API: Chapter 13)

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First, yes, you have to own a regular Twitter account in order to get a developer account. Also, make sure there is an active email account linked to the Twitter account since you will need it for verification purposes.

- 1. Visit https://developer.twitter.com/en
- Link your account, verify your phone number if is not already linked to your Twitter account.
- Answer a few questions. Basically, just provide the simplest answers, you are a student
 and the class is the Py4e of the University of Michigan. Professor is Dr. Charles
 Severance. The data will be used for academic purposes and personal research or
 whatever is your particular used/need.
- 4. Read the agreement and if you are ok, continue.
- 5. They will ask for email verification. Go to your email and verify it.
- 6. They will ask for an app name. Since you are applying for a developer account, you have to provide the name of your application, even if you are not planning to make any app. Just put any name for the moment. You can always change it back.
- 7. They will provide three (3) different keys: an API Key, API Secret Key, and a Bearer Token. **Save the three (3) keys** and press 'Skip to Dashboard'. Just so you know, the Bearer Token will not be used in the hidden.py file. And if you could not save them, do not worry, I will explain how to retrieve them all again.
- 8. On the Dashboard, you will see the name of your app in Project 1. Right beside the name of your app a key icon should appear. Press it, that will lead you to the "Keys and tokens" tab. Click "view keys" to see the API key and API secret. In the professor's "hidden.py" file, they ask for four different key values: consumer key, consumer secret key, token key, and token secret. Let me clarify in case you are confused as I was, the consumer key is the same as the "API Key" and the consumer secret is the same as the "API secret". The token key is the same as the "Access Token" and the token secret is the same as the "Access Token Secret". Also, in the case of the token key and token secret, you will not be able to see them again, but you can always regenerate them If you need a new pair by clicking "Regenerate".
- 9. Finally, now that you have all the keys and tokens figure out you will need to insert them in the hidden.py file and that should be all. You can now go to the twitter related py files and should be able to execute them without any issue.

