

# Getting started with Pirate Portal.

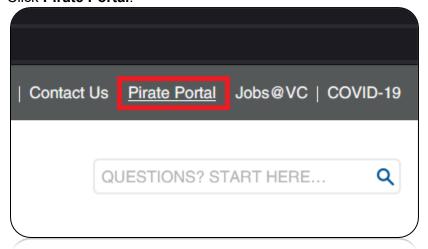
This document will demonstrate how to retrieve your Pirate Portal username and password, setup a second layer of security known as multifactor authentication (MFA) that is required for your Pirate Portal account, and how to log in to your Pirate Portal.

### Retrieve your Pirate Portal username and password.

1. Go to https://www.VictoriaCollege.edu.



2. Click Pirate Portal.

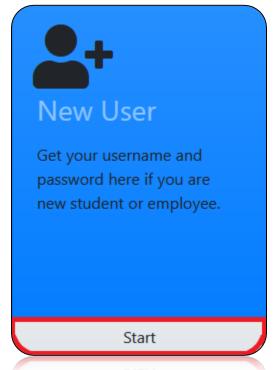




3. Click Retrieve or reset your username and password.

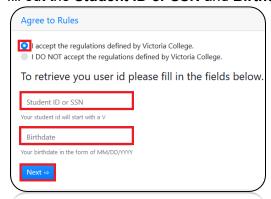


4. Click Start under the New User section.





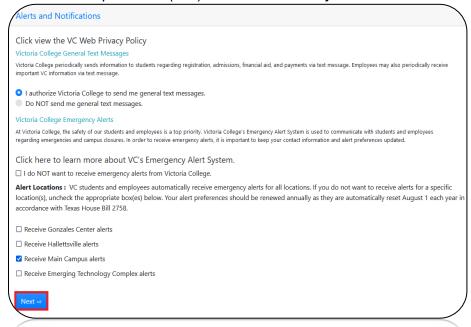
5. Click the radio button next to I accept the regulations defined by Victoria College and fill out the Student ID or SSN and Birthdate fields. Click Next.



Note: You must use a capital V if you are using your student ID. Do NOT type any dashes if you are using your social security number (SSN). You must type your birthdate with the slashes in this format MM/DD/YYYY.

Read the Alerts and Notifications sections. Choose to opt-in or opt-out of notifications. Click Next.

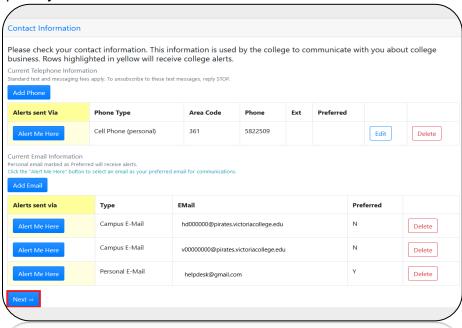
Note: If you click the **Back** button, you will receive an error message and will need to contact the Help Desk at (361) 582-2509 to have your account refreshed.





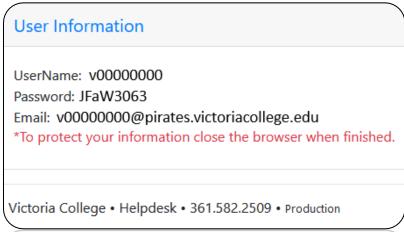
7. Verify your contact information under the **Contact Information** section. Click **Next**.

Note: Click **Add Phone** or **Add Email** to add new contact information. Click **Edit** to update your contact information. Click **Delete** to remove contact information.



8. Your **Pirate Portal username**, **password**, and **email** will display under the **User Information** section. Take note of this information as you will need it to log in to the Pirate Portal.

Note: The password is **case-sensitive**. Be sure to take note of the password **exactly** how it is displayed.



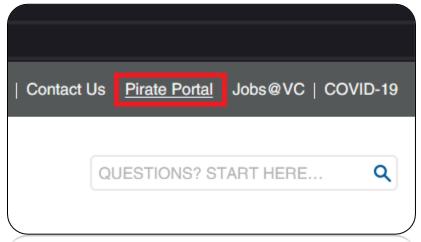


Set up a second layer of security known as Multifactor Authentication (MFA) for your Pirate Portal account (Required)

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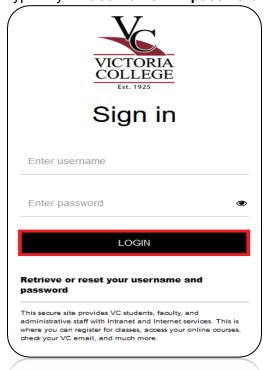


2. Click Pirate Portal.

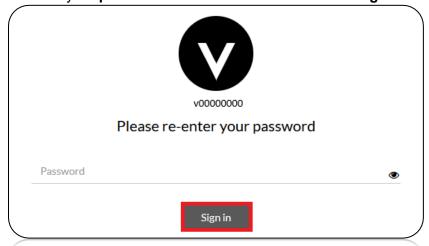




3. Type in your username and password. Click Login.



4. Re-enter your password in the Password field. Click Sign In.





5. Read the red text on the Account Recovery Settings Page.

Account Recovery Settings
In addition to your username and password, you will need another form of identification in order to access your account.

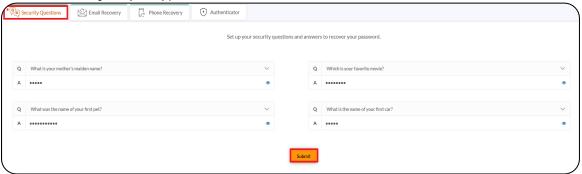
You will not be able to proceed to the Pirate Portal until you have provided security questions AND an email OR phone recovery option.

We strongly urge you to fill out all sections of the security information.

After entering your email and phone numbers, you MUST click the verify button and enter the code sent. This helps us ensure you entered the data correctly.

6. Set up **security questions** and **answers** under the **Security Questions** section. Click **Submit**.

Note: The answers you choose are **case-sensitive**. Be sure to take note of your answers **exactly** as you typed them.



7. Click **Email Recovery** to set up your personal email as a way to recover your password. Type your personal email in the **Email Address** field. Click **Verify**.

Note: If you decide to use the email recovery option, you **must** enter a **personal email address**. You **cannot** use your student or employee email address. You **cannot** use any email address that ends with @pirates.victoriacollege.edu, @student.victoriacollege.edu or @victoriacollege.edu





8. Enter the One-Time Passcode that was sent to your email in the **Enter Verification Code** field to verify your email. Click **Submit**.



9. Click **Phone Recovery** to set up your cell phone number as a way to recover your password. **Select your country** and type your cell phone number in the **Phone Number** field. Click **Verify**.



10. Enter the One-Time Passcode that was sent to your cell phone number in the **Enter Verification Code** field to verify your cell phone number. Click **Submit**.



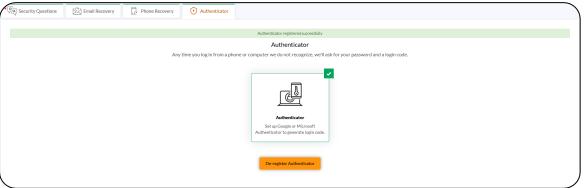


11. Click **Authenticator** to set up your Google Authenticator or Microsoft Authenticator app on your mobile device as a way to recover your password. Click **Get Started** and follow the on-screen prompts.

Note: You will need to download the Google Authenticator or Microsoft Authenticator app on your mobile device for this option to work.



If you set up your authenticator app successfully, you will see a green check mark and a message that says **Authenticator registered successfully** as shown in the following picture:



12. Click GO TO PIRATE PORTAL.



13. You will be redirected to the Pirate Portal log in page.

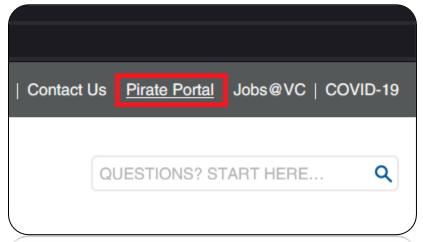


## Log in to Pirate Portal.

1. Go to <a href="https://www.VictoriaCollege.edu">https://www.VictoriaCollege.edu</a>.

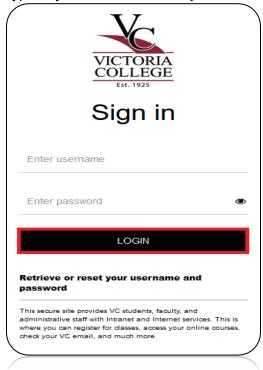


2. Click Pirate Portal.



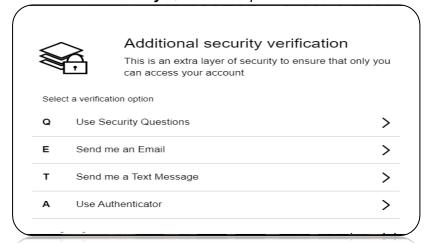


3. Type in your username and password. Click Login.



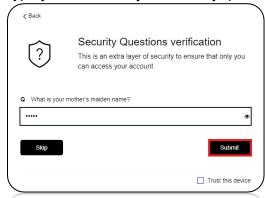
4. The **Additional security verification** prompt is displayed. **Select a verification option** to log in to the Pirate Portal.

Note: The **Use Security Questions** option was used in this example.

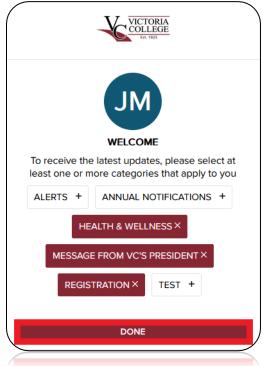




5. Type you answer to your security question. Click Submit.



6. You may receive a **Welcome** prompt about receiving updates for categories that you select. Select one or more categories. Click **Done**.

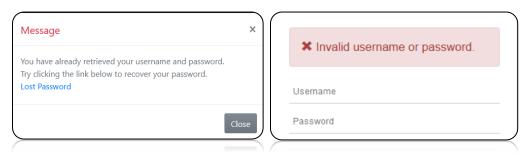


7. You are now logged in to Pirate Portal.



## **Troubleshooting**

Many issues may occur when trying to retrieve your username and password or trying to log in to the Pirate Portal. The most frequent issues that occur are shown in the following pictures:



If you receive one of these error messages, you will need to contact the help desk at (361) 582-2509 to have your account refreshed.

#### Additional Troubleshooting

- 1. Make sure you are using a computer rather than a mobile device.
- 2. Make sure your browser is up-to-date.
- 3. Clear your browser's cache.
- 4. Restart your computer.
- 5. Try a different computer.

#### Get More Help

- If you have performed all of the troubleshooting steps above and are experiencing any issues logging in to your Pirate Portal, please contact the Help Desk at (361) 582-2509 or email us at HelpDesk@VictoriaCollege.edu for more help.
- If you are getting a blue spinning circle, there may be a service outage. Contact the Help Desk for more help.