

Finding the MAC Address of Gaming Devices

What is a MAC Address

A MAC (Media Access Control) address is a unique number/letter identifier assigned to a network adapter. Created by the manufacturer, the MAC is a 12-digit set of characters. Each digit is a number from 0-9 or a letter from A-F. Example: 01-B0-C3-86-BB-F7

Finding your Gaming Device MAC or Ethernet Address

Listed below are instructions for locating the MAC or Ethernet address of popular gaming consoles. Savannah State University does not provide support for these devices. If you are unable to find the Ethernet address using the methods described below, you will need to contact the manufacturer of your device for assistance in obtaining this information.

Nintendo Wii

Note: As the Wii only supports wireless connections out of the box, you will need to purchase the Wii LAN Adapter ([external link](#)) in order to connect to the network.

- Connect the Wii LAN Adapter to an available USB port on the back of the Wii.
- Turn on the Wii and select the round Wii Options button on the Wii Channels screen.
- Select Wii Settings from the menu.
- Scroll to the right and select Internet, then Console Settings. The Ethernet address of the Wii console is displayed on the bottom on the screen labeled Wired MAC Address. If this line is a light gray color and contains only 00's then there is a problem with your Wii LAN Adapter. Please contact Nintendo for support. Do NOT register your Wii with the wireless MAC address.

Nintendo Gamecube

- If you have already installed your broadband adaptor, remove it from the bottom of the Gamecube.
- The Ethernet address is printed on the bottom of the adaptor.

Nintendo DS

- Insert a Nintendo Wi-Fi Connection compatible game
- Select the WFC Setup Utility
- Select Options
- Select System Information
- Write down the 12-digit Wired MAC Address.

Microsoft Xbox 360

- Access the dashboard by turning on the Xbox 360 with no disk in the drive or pressing the Xbox Guide button and pressing Y.
- From the main menu, select System.
- Select Network Settings from the System menu and then select Edit Settings.
- Select Additional Settings and then select Advanced Settings. The Ethernet address is located at the bottom of this screen. It is labeled Wired MAC address.

Microsoft Xbox

- Turn on the Xbox with no disk in the drive to access the dashboard.
- From the main menu select Xbox Live
- Choose Network Settings from the Xbox Live menu.
- The Ethernet address is located in the bottom, right corner of the Network Settings screen. It is labeled "MAC="

Sony Playstation 3

- Go to Settings on the Cross Media Bar (XMB).
Next select System Settings and scroll down to select System Information.
- Your Ethernet Address will be the first item listed.
- Use the Mesa State DHCP Registration Page to register your PS3. You will need to know your Novell user ID and password in order to complete this form.

Sony Playstation 2

New Slim PS2

- Turn on the PS2 with no disk in the drive.
- Press the green triangle button to view the Version Information.
- The MAC address should be listed near the bottom of the screen.

Original PS2

- Install the PS2 Network Adaptor.
- Turn on the PS2 and insert the Network Adaptor Startup Disc.
- Once the menu has appeared, press X to enter the ISP Setup.
- Once it has loaded, press X to continue.
- Your PS2 will search for the network adapter. After the network adapter has been found, press X to continue.
- Press X again to continue.
- Wait while the data is accessed, then select New, and then press X to continue.
- Type a name for your ISP setting, such as "Mesa State".
- When asked if you currently subscribe to an ISP service, select Yes and press X to continue.
- For connection type, choose High speed connection (cable or DSL) and press X to continue.
- Select Automatic Settings and press X to continue.
- When asked if your ISP requires a User ID and Password, select No and press X to continue.
- When asked if your Internet Service Provider requires you to input a DHCP Host Name, select No.
- Unplug your network cable from the PS2, and press X to continue.
- The network connection test will fail. Do not press X or Triangle. Press Select to see the error message.
- The error message will display the hardware Ethernet address, which is a 12-digit combination of numbers and letters.