Eudora Pro 4.0
for Macintosh

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Getting Started

How Email Works @ De Anza

When you use Eudora Pro to send and receive email, the Eudora program is serving as a liaison between you and the FHDA email server(s) (Mercury and Admin). The email servers store your email messages and manage the email traffic for FHDA employees.

To communicate with the email servers on campus, Eudora must be configured properly. The configuration process is completed by De Anza AV staff when the Eudora software is installed on your computer.

When you receive email messages from Eudora, you are “pulling” them from the email server and saving them on your local machine. This means that once you receive an email message in Eudora, the message can only be accessed from your computer.

Opening Eudora

You open Eudora by double clicking on the Eudora Pro icon in your Eudora Pro Folder. If you can not locate your Eudora Pro folder, use your computer’s Find function to locate it.

Understanding the Eudora Toolbar

When Eudora Pro is open, the Eudora toolbar will appear on your desktop. This toolbar provides buttons that allow you access to the most common tasks performed in Eudora.

When you hold your mouse pointer over a button in the toolbar, the function of that button appears below the button.
Checking and Reading Mail

Checking Mail

Once you’ve opened Eudora, you need to log on to the mail server using your password. You do this by checking your mail.

To Check Your Mail

1. Select Check Mail from the File menu or click on the Check mail button in the Eudora Toolbar. A window will appear, prompting you to enter your password.

2. Enter your password and click OK.

A window will appear stating whether or not you have new mail—click OK in this window. If you have new mail, an “In” window will appear on your desktop listing the mail you have.

After you log into Eudora for the first time, you do not have to enter your password every time you check for mail—Eudora will remember your password as long as the program remains open.
Automatic Email Checks

You can set up Eudora to automatically check your mail at set times throughout the day. Using this feature will enable you to work in other programs and have your email checked periodically. When you receive new mail, a message will appear on your desktop.

**Note:**

You must open the Eudora application, log on, and leave the application open in order for the automatic email check to work.

**Set Up Automatic Email Check**

1. Go to the Special pull-down menu and select Settings. A window will appear.
2. Select Checking Mail in the left column.
3. Click on the box to the right of “Check for mail every ___ minutes” to activate this feature (A check box should appear).
4. Insert the intervals at which you want your email checked in the box.
5. Click OK.
Reading Mail

Tip!

Before you read this section, you should make sure that your “In” window is visible on your desktop. If this is not the case, select “In” from the Mailbox pull-down menu.

Read Your Email Messages

1. Double-click on the sender’s name, the date, or the message topic. Your message will open in its own window.

2. When you are finished reading the message, close the message window by clicking the close box in the upper left corner. (Responding to messages is discussed in the upcoming chapters.)
Eudora Mailboxes and Windows

About Mailboxes

Every piece of mail you send, receive, or delete is stored in a Mailbox. The default mailboxes in Eudora are the “In,” “Out,” and “Trash” boxes. The In box is where new mail and mail you’ve read, but want to save, is stored. The Out box stores the messages you’ve sent to other people. The Trash box stores the files you’ve deleted.

Opening Mailboxes

After you log on to Eudora, the In box will open and be displayed as a window on your desktop. When you close the In box, but leave Eudora open, the In box will re-open every time you receive mail. You can have multiple mailboxes open at the same time.

To Open a Mailbox

1. Select the mailbox you want to open from the Mailbox pull-down menu.

Understanding Column Labels in Windows

When a mailbox is open, it is displayed as a window on your desktop. That window contains multiple column headings:

Note:

You may have more column labels in your Eudora window. The column labels visible are specified in your Eudora settings.
Status
Status indicates what you’ve done with the message in your mailbox (read, forwarded, replied, etc.). You can see a key for the different icons in the Status column.

**Locate the Status Column Key**

1. Click once on a message in your In, Out, or Trash mailbox.

2. Place your mouse pointer in the Status column. Your pointer icon will look like the image on the right.

3. Click and hold down on your mouse button. A key to the icons in the Status column will appear.

![Status Icons Key](image)

**Note!**

*You can change the status of a message by opening the Status key and selecting an icon; however, this is unadvisable. Eudora automatically keeps track of what you do with your messages and you should not need to change the status.*
**Priority**
The icons in the priority column indicate how urgent the message is. The sender can name the priority of the message or you can change the priority once you read the message.

### Locate the Priority Column Key

1. Click once on a message in your In, Out, or Trash mailbox.
2. Place your mouse pointer in the Priority column. Your mouse pointer will look like the image on the right.
3. Click and hold down on your mouse button. A key to the icons in the Priority column will appear.

### Change Your Message Priority

1. Once the Priority Key is visible, you can place your mouse pointer over a different priority to highlight it, then release your mouse button. The icon in your Priority column will change.

**Attachments**
When you receive an attached file, an icon will appear in your Attachments column that looks like a piece of paper. Opening attachments is discussed later in this booklet.

**Sorting by Column Label**
You can sort the messages in any mailbox based on your column headings.

### Sort the Items in your Mailbox

1. Click on the column heading you want your mail sorted by, for instance, the “Who” column. Eudora will sort your mail.
Creating New Mailboxes
To assist with file management, you can create new mailboxes in Eudora that will store your mail. For instance, if you receive many messages from Joe Teacher that you want to save, you may want to create a Joe Teacher mailbox to store your messages from Joe Teacher.

Create a New Mailbox

1. Click on your Mailbox pull-down menu and select New.
2. A window will appear asking you to name your new mailbox. Type the mailbox name in the space provided. Leave the “Make it a Folder” box unchecked.
3. Click OK. Your mailbox name will now be visible in your Mailbox pull-down menu.

Transferring Mail to Different Mailboxes
All new mail will, by default, be sent to the In box. Once there, you can transfer your mail to other mailboxes.

Transfer Mail to Different Mailboxes

1. Click once on the message in your In box that you want to transfer.
2. Open the Transfer pull-down menu and select the mailbox you want to place your message into. Your message will be transferred.

Note!

To delete a message, you can either transfer it to the Trash mailbox or select Delete from the Message pull-down menu.

Emptying the Trash

Once you delete a message or transfer it to the Trash mailbox (see Note above), you must empty the trash in order to completely remove the message from your computer.

Empty the Trash

1. Select Empty Trash from the Special pull-down menu.
Sending, Replying to, and Forwarding Mail

Sending a New Message

There are two parts to an email message: the address information and the text. When sending an email message, the only required address information is the email address of the person you’re sending the message to.

1. Select New Message from the Message pull-down menu or click on the New Message button in the Eudora toolbar. An empty message window will appear on your desktop and your insertion point will be in the “To” area of your message.

2. Type the email address of the person you’re sending the message to and then press Tab on your keyboard. Your insertion point will move to the Subject area.

3. Type the Subject of your message.

4. If you would like to Cc or Bcc anybody, type his/her email address in the appropriate space.

5. Use your mouse to place your insertion point in the text area of the message (below X-Attachments).

6. Type your message. When you are finished with your message, click the Send button in the upper right corner of your message window.
Tip—Checking Spelling

You can check the spelling in your email messages by going to the Edit menu and selecting Check Spelling. A program called SpellsWell will open and check your spelling. This program functions in the same way as the spelling checker in Microsoft Office.

Tip—Addressing More than One Recipient

You can send an email message to more than one person by separating email address by a comma and a space. For an example, see the image below.

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To: pritchardwh@admin.fhda.edu, man9167@mercury.fhda.edu
From: Heidi King <hck9632@mercury.fhda.edu>
Subject: 
Cc: ruedajo@admin.fhda.edu, javier@mercury.fhda.edu
Bcc:
X-Attachments:

Rephlying to a Message

You can reply to any message you receive. When you choose the reply option, your message will automatically be addressed to the person who sent the message and the original message text will appear in your email message.

Reply to a Message

1. Open the email message you want to reply to.
2. Select Reply from the Message pull-down menu or click the Reply button on the Eudora toolbar. A window will appear with the address information portion filled out. You can add additional people to the To, Cc, or Bcc area if you wish.
3. Place your insertion point above or below the original text message and begin typing. You may need to place your insertion point in front of the first line of text in the original message and hit return to move the message down—then you can type above the original message.
4. When you are finished typing, click the Send button in the upper right corner of the message window.
Tip—Replying to All

If you receive a message that was sent to multiple people and you want everyone to see your response, you can “reply to all” by holding down your Option key on your keyboard while selecting the Reply button on the toolbar.

Forwarding Mail

When you receive a message from someone that you want someone else to see, you can forward that message to other people. When you forward a message, you need to fill in the To, Cc, and/or Bcc address information. The subject will remain the same, but you can change it if you want to. Additionally, the original address information will appear in the text portion of your message.
Forwarding a Message

1. Open the email message you want to forward.
2. Select Forward from the Message pull-down menu or click on the Forward button in the Eudora toolbar. A new window will appear.
3. Fill in the To (required), Cc, and/or Bcc area.
4. Type text, if desired, in the text area of the message.
5. Click the Send button in the upper right corner of your message window.
Sending and Receiving Attachments

About Attachments

An attachment is a separate file that is sent to you via the De Anza email server. For instance, I might send you an email informing you that I finished a report in Microsoft Word and attach the actual report to my email message. You would then be able to open that report in Microsoft Word.

Setting Up Your Attachments Folder

You can set up Eudora to place the attachments you receive into a folder of your choice on your computer. This makes file management easier.

Set up Your Attachments Folder

1. Create a new folder on your computer in a convenient location and name this folder Attachments.
2. In Eudora, go to the Special pull-down menu and select Settings. A Settings window will open on your desktop.
3. In the left column of the Settings window, click once on Attachments. (You may need to scroll in order to find the Attachments option.)
4. Click on the button below the “Attachments Folder:” area in the right column. A window will appear.
5. Locate the Attachments folder you created on your hard drive, double-click on it, then click Use Folder.
6. Click OK in the Settings window.
Reading Attachments

When you receive an attachment, a paper icon is visible in the Attachment column of your In window. You should get into the habit of reading the text of an email message before opening an attachment—sometimes that text gives you clues as to how the attached document was saved.

Read Your Attachment(s)

1. Double-click on the attachment in your attachments folder—the attachment will open as well as the application that created the attachment OR open the application first, then open the attachment.

Sending Attachments

You can send an attachment with any email message, but you should make sure the file size of the attachment is relatively small. If the file can’t be saved on a disk, you should break the file up into smaller pieces, especially if you plan to send the attachment to multiple people on campus with a single email message.

Send an Attachment

1. Create a new email message, filling in the address information and text area of the message.

2. Go to the Message pull-down menu and select Attach Document or click on the Attach Document button in the Eudora toolbar. A window will appear on your desktop.

3. Locate the document you want to attach, click once on it, then click the Attach button. Your attachment will appear in your address information area.

4. Click the Send button in the upper right corner of your message window.
Address Books

Creating Address Book Entries

The Eudora Address Book allows you to file email addresses and easily access them when addressing email messages. You can create an address book entry for a single person or a group of people.

Group address book entries are good to create if you have a group of people you regularly send email messages to. For instance, if you are on the Technology Team, you might have a group address book entry called Technology Team with a list of everyone’s email address in the group. You will get a clearer idea of how this works once you create a group address book entry.

Create an Address Book Entry

1. Select Address Book from the Window pull-down menu. The Address Book window will appear on your desktop.

2. Click on the New button in the lower left corner of the Address Book window. A New Nickname window will appear.

3. In the space provided, type a nickname for your address book entry (first or last names usually work well).

4. Click in the “Put it on the Recipient List” box.
5. Click OK. You will return to the Address Book window.

6. Fill in the fields in the Address Book window—email address is required.

7. Close the Address Book window. You will be prompted to save changes. Click Yes.

**Create an Email Group**

1. Follow the steps 1-5 above.

2. In the Address(es) area, type multiple email addresses, pressing Return on your keyboard after each entry.

3. When you are finished, close the Address Book window. You will be prompted to save changes. Click Yes.

**Tip—Automatic Address Book Entries**

When you receive a message from someone and you'd like to include that person in your address book, click once on their email message in your inbox, select Make Address Book Entry from the Special menu, and give the person a nickname.

**Using your Address Book**

You can use the entries you made in your address book when you create email message.

**Go to the Message pull-down menu, select New Message To, then select the person or group from the submenu that appears. A new message will be started addressed to that person or group.**
Email Etiquette

Attachment Size

As a general rule, attachments sent to multiple people in our district at once should not be larger than 1MB. If the file you want to attach cannot fit on a floppy disk, you should probably break it up into smaller pieces before sending it. The email server in our office often has difficulty handling larger capacities than that and people who have older computers will have difficulty receiving files larger than 1MB.

Leaving Items on the Server

The Eudora Pro program on your computer was configured to pull your email messages from our email server and save them to your local machine. You should not change this setting because too many messages left on the server will slow the email process down for everybody.

Formatting Text in Messages

Eudora Pro gives you options in the Edit menu to change text size, style, and color. Be aware that people who do not have Eudora Pro 4.0 may not be able to read these text changes. Formatting features should be reserved for one-on-one email correspondence with someone you know can read the text style changes and should not be used for group email messages.
Additional Eudora Features

Filters

Filters allow you to automatically manage tasks in Eudora. For instance, you could create a filter that would automatically take all messages from me and place them in a mailbox named Heidi.

The online instructions for creating filters are very thorough. If you are interested in creating filters, select Filtering Messages from the Help pull-down menu and follow the instructions in the window that appears.

Signatures

A signature is the text that automatically appears at the end of an email message you send to someone. A signature usually includes your name, phone number, address, office hours, etc.

If you are interested in creating a signature, select Using Signatures from the Help pull-down menu and follow the instructions in the window that appears.