Help Document Series: Changing your Black account password

This document will assist you in changing your password on your Black account from an SSH client. To proceed you will need an active Black account and an SSH client like PuTTY and an internet connection.

Step 1
Launch PuTTY

- Enter black.clarku.edu in the Host Name field.
- Make sure SSH is selected
- Enter a session name in the Saved Sessions field.
- Click Save.
- Click Open

Step 2
In the command line window, type your black username at the login as: prompt and hit Enter.

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Step 3
Enter your Black password at the password prompt and hit Enter.

Step 4
After successfully logging in to Black, can type `passwd` (all lower case) and hit Enter.

Step 5
You will be prompted for the following:
- **(current) UNIX password**: Type in your current password and hit Enter.
- **New UNIX Password**: Type in a new case-sensitive password and hit Enter. For security purposes the new and old password will not be displayed as you type.
- **Retype new UNIX password**: Re-type in the new password and press the Enter key.

When the password change is successful you will see the “all authentication tokens updated successfully” message and be returned to the normal command line.

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