

WordPress for Research

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Web Hosting

- Open Computing Facility (free to students/faculty/staff): <http://ocf.berkeley.edu/>
- Dreamhost (one of many commodity web hosts, ~\$10/month): <http://dreamhost.com/>

Setting up a web directory on OCF

- Web hosting: <https://www.ocf.berkeley.edu/docs/services/web/>
- makehttp
- makemysql (save the password)

Setting up WordPress on OCF

- Instructions at <https://www.ocf.berkeley.edu/docs/services/web/wordpress/>
- <https://ssh.ocf.berkeley.edu/>
 - `cd ~/public_html`
 - `wp core download`
- <https://www.ocf.berkeley.edu/~username/wp-admin>
 - Database name: your OCF username
 - User name: your OCF username
 - Password: password from makemysql
 - Database Host: mysql
- Famous Five-Minute WordPress Installation
 - Site Title: whatever you like
 - Username: will be your WordPress username
 - Password: will be your WordPress password
 - Discourage search engines: For now

WordPress Themes (Look for: "responsive", "Google fonts")

- Today's demo: Optimizer (simple, responsive text-focused)

Plug-ins (Look for: recent updates, high ratings, lots of users)

- iframe (allows embedding of Shiny or other third-party pages)
- MaxButtons (cool looking flat buttons)
- Recent Facebook Posts (display Facebook page on site)

Also

- **Theme:** Swell Lite (image-focused parallax)
- **Plugins:**
 - DevBuddy Twitter Feed (display Twitter feed on site)
 - Alpine PhotoTile for Instagram (display Instagram feed on site)
 - Contact Form 7 (customizable form submissions)
 - PageBuilder by SiteOrigin (block-based content layout for pages)