

In the future, the Metropolia Cloud Terms of Service must be accepted at the same time as the Metropolia user account is activated

From the beginning of 2023, Metropolia students and staff will have to accept the Metropolia Cloud Terms of Service at the same time as the new user ID is introduced.

A more straightforward process

Until now, all Metropolia users have had to separately accept the Cloud Terms of Service to access Google Workspace for Education and Microsoft 365 cloud services with their Metropolia username. In addition to activating the username, this has meant an extra step for everyone, which has sometimes made it difficult to implement cloud services.

With the help of Metropolia's Legal and Archiving Services, we have now made the process easier for users: **from 1 January**, the Cloud Terms of Service **must be approved at the same time as the new username is activated**. This means that you can use both the cloud services and Metropolia's other services at the same time and no longer have to read a separate instruction to access the cloud services.

Cloud computing (1) has become such an integral and useful part of everyday life worldwide, including studying and working at Metropolia, that such a change was justified. For example, attending lectures in Teams and collaborative group work requires the use of cloud computing.

What will change in the future?

In the future, new students and employees will be required to accept the cloud terms and conditions and the associated terms of use in order to access the Metropolia domain. Other existing domain names will be migrated to the new terms and conditions by spring 2023 at the latest. More information on this will be available at a later date.

What do I need to do?

The changes will come into force on **1 January 2023**. If you have accepted Metropolia's current cloud terms and conditions, **you do not need to accept them again**.

The updated Cloud Terms of Service will be published in January. This will be announced later on [OMA](#) and on the [IT Services](#) website. Once published, we recommend that all users read the new terms and conditions carefully.

Google and Microsoft cloud application package information pages:

<https://wiki.metropolia.fi/display/itservices/Cloud+services>

(1) Cloud services in this context mean an application, system or storage location outside the Metropolia network, such as Zoom, Sharepoint, Teams, OneDrive, Google Meet and Google Drive.