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Context

- Google Chrome is a web browser for PC, Mac, or Linux
- **IS&T does not support Google Chrome**

Answer

On Windows and Mac, Google Chrome uses the native certificate store of the operating system. This means that Google Chrome on Windows will use the certificates that Internet Explorer uses, and Google Chrome on Mac OS X will use the certificates that Safari uses. Thus, to use certificates, install them for the native browser for that operating system.

On Linux, Google Chrome uses a native certificate store that is not widely shared. However, getting certificates for Chrome on Linux is straightforward: get them from http://ca.mit.edu/

Installation

Windows

To use certificates in Google Chrome installed on Windows, install certificates in Internet Explorer.

- Using CertAid for Internet Explorer to Install Certificates on Windows XP, Vista and 7

Mac OS X

To use certificates in Google Chrome installed on Mac OS X, install certificates as for Safari:

- Installing and Managing Certificates for Mac using CertAid 2.x

Linux

To use certificates in Google Chrome installed on Windows, go to http://ca.mit.edu/ and follow the steps in the web forms - it works much like Firefox.

1. Download the MIT Certificate Authority (MIT CA) the link on the final page

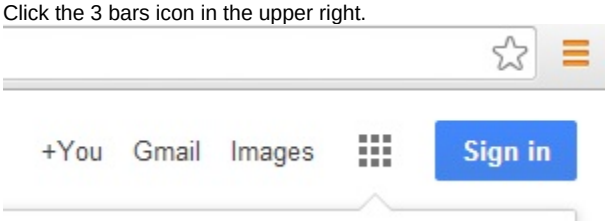
2. Go to the **Wrench menu > Preferences**
3. Choose **Under the Hood**, then click the button for **Manage Certificates**
4. Go to the **Authorities** tab and press the button for **Import...**
5. Find the **mitca.crt** from your download folder and Open it to import it into Chrome.
6. If you are asked to Edit trust settings, choose **Trust this certificate for identifying web sites.**

Management and Removal

Windows

Version 30.0.x and higher

1. Click the 3 bars icon in the upper right.



2. From the drop-down menu, select Settings.
3. Scroll to the bottom and click Show Advanced Settings.
4. Click Manage Certificates.
5. Select the Personal tab.
6. Select your certificate and choose Remove.

Earlier versions

1. Click the wrench icon in the upper right to open the drop-down menu.
2. Select **Options**.
3. Choose **Under the Hood**, then click the button for **Manage Certificates**

Mac OS X

1. Go to the Wrench menu in the top right-hand corner and select **Preferences**
2. Choose **Under the Hood**, then click the button for **Manage Certificates**

Linux

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