



Blackboard

Web Conferencing - How to Setup Linux Ubuntu

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Document Summary:

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This article will explain how to configure your Linux Ubuntu system to successfully launch Blackboard Collaborate Web Conferencing sessions.

Document Details:

1. Install OpenJDK Java 7 Runtime, IcedTea Java Web Start, and IcedTea Java PlugIn. You can install these through the Ubuntu Software Center.



2. Verify that OpenJDK Java 7 and IcedTea Java Web Start are set to default. Run the following 2 terminal commands. To open the terminal, press CTRL+ALT+T.

Command 1: `sudo update-alternatives --config java`

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~$ sudo update-alternatives --config java
[sudo] password for ~:
There is only one alternative in link group java (providing /usr/bin/java): /usr
/lib/jvm/java-7-openjdk-amd64/jre/bin/java
Nothing to configure.
~$
```

Note: If installed correctly, it will display that there is “Nothing to configure.” If you have Oracle Java installed, you will need to choose the OpenJDK option.

Command 2: `sudo update-alternatives --config javaws`

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~$ sudo update-alternatives --config javaws
[sudo] password for [REDACTED]:
There are 2 choices for the alternative javaws (providing /usr/bin/javaws).

  Selection    Path                                          Priority  Stat
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  0            /usr/lib/jvm/java-7-openjdk-amd64/jre/bin/javaws  1071     auto
  mode
  1            /usr/lib/jvm/java-6-openjdk-amd64/jre/bin/javaws  1061     manu
al mode
* 2            /usr/lib/jvm/java-7-openjdk-amd64/jre/bin/javaws  1071     manu
al mode

Press enter to keep the current choice[*], or type selection number:
[REDACTED]:~$
```

Note: If “0” states Java 7, that is correct. If it states anything other than that, you will need to chose the option that states “**java-7-openjdk**”.

3. Launch Blackboard Collaborate.