

**University of Puerto Rico
Mayaguez Campus**

Computer Center

User's Services Unit

VAX/VMS Operating System

I. To access the system

1. You have to be an authorize user of the node that you want to use.
2. **Local> C** *node's_name*

Ex. Local> C RUMAC academic node of Mayaguez Campus (VAX 6610)
 Local> C UPR1 academic node in UPR (VAX 6310)

II. Changing the password

1. The first time you use an account in a node the operative system forces you to change the original password. This is part of the security system.
2. Password rules:
 - a) It must have at least 10 characters and a maximum of 32.
 - b) You can use letters, number and a combination of both.
 - c) You cannot leave any empty space, dot or special character.
3. **New Password:** *write here the new password*
Verification: *write again the new password*

III. File

1. A file is a place with a unique name where you save information.
2. Structure: *filename.ext;version*

Where:

filename is the name you assign to that information and it should be related to its content, it has a maximum of 32 characters.

.ext is the extension of the file, its useful to identify the files format.

;version the operating system assigns it automatically. The VMS system lets you have simultaneously 3 versions of the same file.

IV. Basic Commands

DIR Shows a list of all the files you have in your work area.

TYPE *filename* Shows the content of the file you indicated.

SET Terminal/WIDTH= # Changes de number of columns you have in the screen, where # can be 80 or 132.

COPY *file_in file_out* Copy an existent file (*file_in*) into a new file (*file_out*).

PRINT *filename* Prints the contents of the specific file.

SHOW QUE/ALL SYSS\$PRINT Shows a list of all the files waiting to be printed in the printer SYSS\$PRINT.

DELETE *filename.ext;version* Deletes the indicated file. The version has to be included.

PURGE Leaves only the most recent version of all the files in your work area.

V. Logging out

\$ Logout It will show your username, date and time you exit the system.

Local> Turn off the terminal.