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Prompt
Installing and configuring the base platform for Brikit.

Outcome
In order to use Brikit, you must first install Confluence, the content management and collaboration platform created by Atlassian. This guide provides a general outline of how to install and configure Confluence. Best practice, however, is to follow the instructions posted on the Atlassian documentation site, accessible in the links below.

Steps
Know your role

The person responsible for installing and configuring Confluence and Brikit products is the System Administrator. This role requires both comfort with, and confidence in, using the command-line interface, servers (especially Apache Tomcat), databases, file systems, and network tools.

Know your environment

Will you be installing Confluence on premises, on a local machine, or in the cloud? Do you have an existing database environment (if not, will it be created on premises, locally, or in cloud)? The answers to these questions will affect which Confluence download package you need and how to go about installation.

Fortunately, the type of Confluence package you install will not affect which Brikit products are available to you later on. Once Confluence is installed, there are no further prerequisites (software, databases, etc.) for installing Brikit.

Download and install Confluence

It is best to follow the latest

Confluence Installation Instructions from Atlassian's documentation. Roughly, these steps are as follows:

1. Ensure your system has the appropriate prerequisites
2. Download Confluence from the Atlassian website
3. Create an installation directory
4. Create a home directory
5. Check the ports
6. Start Confluence
7. Choose an installation type
8. Enter your license
9. Connect to your database
10. Populate your new site with content (or import it from an existing site)
11. Choose where and how to manage users
12. Create your administrator account(s)
13. Start using Confluence

Configure Confluence

Following installation, you may want to customize the settings and integrations in your Confluence environment. If so, we recommend following the

Confluence Configuration documentation from Atlassian. There you can learn about the Confluence Base URL, connecting to mail, setting character encoding, and other customizable system properties.

Once you are installed and configured, you are ready to install apps.

Install Brikit

Now that Confluence is up and running, installing Brikit and other apps is relatively easy. To do so, visit Installing and Uninstalling Apps.

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