

# Andrew Printing from UNIX

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For information related to this topic refer to:

- [Cluster Printing pages \(http://www.cmu.edu/computing/clusters/printing/index.html\)](http://www.cmu.edu/computing/clusters/printing/index.html)

**CONVENTIONS:** Throughout these pages, commands that must be typed are shown in bold at a unix prompt (%). You should type everything after the prompt, but not the prompt character (%).

**For more information** about any of the commands described in this document, use the "man" command.

For example:

% **man lpr**

% **man lpq**

% **man lprm**

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## Choosing a Printer

With the implementation of the central print queue, the default printer should already be set to andrewcentral, which will push the print job out to all of the public printing stations.

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## The LPR Print Command

To print, use the **lpr** command followed by the name of the text or postscript file that you want to print.

For example, to print the *myjob.ps* postscript file to your default printer type,  
**% lpr myjob.ps**

This will send your print job into the central Andrew queue for public printers.

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# Managing Your Print Jobs

## Viewing the Print Queue

To view a list of the jobs in the print queue, use the **lpq** command.

For example, to view print queue information for the central print queue, you would type:

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% lpq
```

The print job will remain in the central print queue, until the user manually releases it from the station; see [Release Your Print Job \(http://www.cmu.edu/computing/doc/printing/personal/release.html\)](http://www.cmu.edu/computing/doc/printing/personal/release.html).

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