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Thread: [Global File access outside web directory.](#)

Dale Carnegie - May 15, 2018, 4:23 pm

In my server I have all the web directories for my websites in /web.

So /web/SITENAME/html/ Folders and files for that particular website.

Inside the HTML folder for each individual directory how do I link to a folder outside of that folder?

So let's say I have my index.php which is inside of sitename/html/ and inside the index file I want to link to another .php file that's outside of this directory. How would I go about doing that?

Normally in php you can simply do

PHP Code

```
<?php
```

```
include 'filename' ;
```

but that file is inside your current web directory. I need to link a file that's outside of this directory.

Hope i explained that well enough tried giving multiple examples.

Thanks.

~ Dale

Nachfolger - May 15, 2018, 4:26 pm

You would include an upper directory by doing:

PHP Code

```
<?php
```

```
include("../file_in_one_directory_up.php");
```

The ".." signify one directory up, so here's how to do something that's two up:

PHP Code

```
<?php
```

```
include("../../file_two_directories_up.php");
```

And so on.

Dale Carnegie - May 15, 2018, 4:26 pm

(May 15, 2018 04:26 PM)Nachfolger Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) You would include an upper directory by doing:

PHP Code

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The ".." signify one directory up.

How would I go two directories up?

Setup:

Sitename/html/ current web directory.

So actually I'd need to go three levels up.

Nachfolger - May 15, 2018, 4:28 pm

(May 15, 2018 04:26 PM)Dale Carnegie Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) How would I go two directories up?Re-read my post. I was editing it as you quoted me.

Dale Carnegie - May 15, 2018, 4:28 pm

Thanks so much. Just saw your edit!

Squito - May 15, 2018, 11:53 pm

It only works as long as open_basedir is not in effect or the directory you want to reach is on the list of open_basedir directories.

PS: if a shared hosting does not have open_basedir set up it's better to avoid it.