

Ubuntu-MD March 19, 2016 Meeting

Ubuntu Desktop

Unity (Add Gnome or Cinnamon window managers)

Cinnamon

```
sudo add-apt-repository ppa:gwendal-lebihan-dev/cinnamon-nightly
sudo apt-get update
sudo apt-get install cinnamon
```

Gnome

```
sudo apt-get install gnome-shell ubuntu-gnome-desktop
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KDE (Kubuntu)

XFCE (Xubuntu)

Ubuntu Tips

1. Disable Amazon search feature from Settings or remove from Bar (sudo apt-get remove unity-lens-shopping)
2. Use Windows key to initiate global search function.
3. Trim is enabled by default for ssd drives
4. Add Ubuntu Tweak
Download from <http://ubuntu-tweak.com>
5. Multimedia – VLC (sudo apt-get install vlc)
XBMC entertainment hub (sudo apt-get install xbmc)
Openshot video editor
6. Flash support on browsers – sudo apt-get install flashplugin-installer
7. Messenger – pidgin, hexchat, aMSn, skype
8. Phone – Jitsi (supports sip, jabber,google talk, facebook, Yahoo Messenger)
9. Browsers – FireFox is default can add Chrome, Opera and others
10. Gaming - steam
11. Google Drive Sync – grive2
sudo add-apt-repository ppa:nilarimogard/webupd8 (#note press Enter to continue and adding your password)
sudo apt-get update
sudo apt-get install grive (#note: the installation will provide a link to a website where you will be requested to allow your google account and when completed you will receive an authorization code to paste into the terminal before the initial sync will start)
Make a new directory like mkdir /home/yourname/gdrive
cd /home/yourname/gdrive
grive -a (follow prompts to link your Gdrive account)
Sync later with command grive in your directory
Add bash file to automate the process.

Use gedit in the GUI interface to create a new file and name it like gdrive-sync.sh then enter these commands:

```
#!/bin/bash
cd /home/yourname/gdrive (#note use the directory name you created earlier)
grive
```

Then save the file. Next you will need the terminal to run the next command, crontab -e. You will be prompted to use a text editor and the easy one to use is “nano”.

Move to the end of the file and add without the quotes:

```
@daily /home/yourname/gdrive-sync.sh (#this indicates that you want to run the
command daily which automates the task of syncing your local directory with
Google Drive account.)
```

Use Ctrl-o to save the file.

Lastly, if you want to sync your local folder with Google drive more often than once a day you can manually do that by running your bash file from the terminal in your home directory using:

```
sh gdrive-sync.sh
```

References:

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