On May 14, 2003, NUIT will change the Ph database to allow modifications only from the Web-based form (https://directory.northwestern.edu/edit/). This is a necessary step to maintain consistent databases during a migration from Ph to another directory structure. Details may be found at http://www.it.northwestern.edu/transitions/restrict_phmod.html.

This will not affect queries to the Ph directory from Eudora, Outlook, or Ph client software. Specifically, only attempts to modify a listing will be blocked unless the user is using the Web form.

The new directory structure, LDAP (Lightweight Directory Access Protocol), is an industry standard basis for authentication, authorization, mail routing, and white pages directory services. NUIT will be changing the University white pages service from Ph to LDAP over the next 12 months. More information on this change may be found at http://www.it.northwestern.edu/reference/ed/index.html.

NUIT expects that the transition to LDAP will be completed by the end of calendar 2004. At that time, the Ph database will be shut down.

Note: the URL https://directory.northwestern.edu/edit/ is a new name created for the Ph edit page https://snap.it.northwestern.edu/it/edit-ph/edit.cgi. Modifications will be accepted from both pages.

Questions about this change be directed to it-feedback@northwestern.edu. Technical questions about Ph should be directed to consultant@northwestern.edu.

To review all of the service transitions taking place, visit the NUIT Transitions Web site at http://www.it.northwestern.edu/transitions/.

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