Northwestern University Information Technology (NUIT) is converting the current "Ph" online directory to a new protocol in order to provide greater unification of security practices and streamline the processes for implementing new software.

After January 31, the search function for e-mail software and applications still set to query Northwestern's current "Ph" online directory will no longer work.

ACTION REQUIRED:

All Northwestern users who currently use their e-mail clients to search the online "Ph" directory MUST configure their e-mail software to point to the new Lightweight Directory Access Protocol (LDAP) directory.

For step-by-step instructions on configuring Eudora, Outlook, Apple Mail, or Entourage software to access the new LDAP online directory, please visit:
<http://www.it.northwestern.edu/accounts/email/config/ldap/>.

PLEASE NOTE: In Northwestern's continuous effort to ensure that only authorized individuals are accessing University data, the information you may currently retrieve from a "Ph" look-up through your e-mail client may not be present in the new LDAP look-up. For more complete information, the University community is encouraged to use the Northwestern Online Directory:
<http://directory.northwestern.edu/>.

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School- or department-level applications currently set up to query the Ph directory will not be able to perform this function after January 31. For information about using LDAP instead, and to request application access to the new LDAP directory, please visit:
<http://www.it.northwestern.edu/ldap/user-auth/index.html>.

To protect people's identities, off-campus users accessing the Online Directory will see less directory information unless they either connect to the NU Network using Virtual Private Network (VPN) or click the Authenticate button next to the online directory search field.

For more information, please visit: <http://www.it.northwestern.edu/network/directory/ed/>.
For any questions, please contact your local technical support person, call the NUIT Support Center at 847-491-HELP (4357), or e-mail consultant@northwestern.edu.

This e-mail represents a final follow-up announcement to several others that were made to the Northwestern community beginning in 2003.

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