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NUIT announces new “white pages” directory mirror

NU Information Technology has introduced a new “white pages” directory mirror, based on LDAP (Lightweight Directory Access Protocol), that replicates directory information in the online Ph directory. This service supersedes ldap.nwu.edu, which will be shut down in June 2004 (one year from now).

The new service, at directory.northwestern.edu, will replace Ph by the end of 2004. Current users of the ldap.nwu.edu server should change to directory.northwestern.edu immediately as the LDAP service. Current Ph users are also encouraged to migrate to this source of “white pages” information.

Why is this happening?

The introduction of a new LDAP-based directory is an important step in NUIT’s creation of an Enterprise Directory for Northwestern which will contain more information than is currently retained in the online Ph campus directory, such as a person’s affiliations, authorizations and permissions.

The new white pages will be more complete and will perform better. However, current users will have to reconfigure their client software to use the new services. Configuration instructions are available at <http://aquavite.northwestern.edu/it-services/browse.cgi?s=LDAP%20directory%20service>.

Questions can be directed to consultant@northwestern.edu or to the Information Center at 847-491-HELP. More detailed information about the LDAP Directory Mirror is available from the NUIT Introductions Timeline at http://www.it.northwestern.edu/introductions/.