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Security and Internet Services[Security home](#)**ARE YOU SICK OF VIRUSES?**

There has been a dramatic increase in the number of virus-infected e-mails being sent to users. Currently, virus scanning software on the central e-mail server removes the virus then delivers the message. The E-mail Systems group is working hard to change this process. Instead of delivering these messages . . . [\[MORE\]](#)

ANOTHER WORM EXPECTED SOON!

Much of the security community is concerned about a new worm that will exploit a bug in Windows Messenger Service (nothing to do with MSN Messenger, Windows messenger, or e-mail). Microsoft released a Windows Update patch on 10/15/03 for this bug . . . [\[MORE\]](#) info and tips

Network and Telecommunication Services[NTS home](#)**UPDATE: NETWORK UPGRADE PROJECT**

The campus network upgrade project is finalizing the bid offers and documentation for a presentation to the Board of Regents in Dec. With the regents' approval, the project will move to the implementation phase and begin with scheduling, training, information sessions, and installation planning. Further information will be available on a Network Upgrade web page in January.

IMPROVEMENT: MESSAGE WAITING INDICATION LIGHTS

NTS operations have implemented an improved method to activate on and off Message Waiting Indication (MWI) lights between the voicemail and the telephone systems. Now users mailboxes are set up to utilize two of the six MWI links to ensure light functions . . . [\[MORE\]](#) info and tips

UPGRADE TO LEVEL 3 TELECOM

The campus Internet connection to the public network (Internet1 or commodity internet) is now upgraded via Level3 Telecom (formerly Genuity). NTS network engineers and Genuity engineers switched to the Minneapolis peering point earlier than scheduled . . . [\[WiITEL and MORE\]](#)

VIDEOJACK, A NEW OFFERING

VideoJack is an IP network service for approved classroom and conference room videoconference systems. VideoJack allows uncongested video conferences with other Internet2 sites because the specific setup bypasses bottlenecks in the current campus network. This newest NTS offering provides access to reserved bandwidth for connections to customers of the State of Minnesota, the University campus . . . [\[MORE\]](#)

CORDLESS ANALOG PHONES AVAILABLE

November 1st NTS supported cordless phones became available. NTS will provide and maintain the Panasonic 2.4GHz GigaRange Expandable Cordless Phone System, the only cordless telephone that is supported by Networking and Telecommunications Services . . . [\[MORE\]](#)

Academic and Distributed Computing Services[ADCS home](#)**MAC OS X LICENSES**

OIT entered into an agreement with Apple Computer to provide a volume license contract for Mac OS X that includes OS 10.2.x (Jaguar) and 10.3 (Panther) as well as any upgrades to these systems that become available over the next 3 years. This agreement covers . . . [\[MORE\]](#)

ADDITIONS: SYSTEM STATUS WEB PAGE

On the System Status page anyone can see if there is a known problem with a U. computer system such as the modem pool or the registration system. Now Portal (my/myAHC) and WebMail (use to check your UMN e-mail) are now on the System Status list that's available as a link from most OIT websites: <http://trainingq.micro.umn.edu/SystemStatus/public/index.cfm>

NEW TRAINING: POLISHING PROFESSIONAL PAPERS

Save time and frustration by harnessing Microsoft Word's formatting tools for your next professional paper or your thesis. "Word 2000: Creating Papers," a 3.5-hour course walks you through applying styles, headers, footnotes, endnotes, and more. See <http://trainingq.micro.umn.edu/ShortCourses/Whatsnew.cfm>

STATISTICAL SOFTWARE: JMP FOR LINUX

Did you know that SAS Institute will release JMP for Linux with its release of JMP version 5.1? And that ADCS is considering adding JMP for Linux to our JMP software license? If your department is interested in licensing JMP for Linux . . . [\[MORE\]](#)

Digital Media Center[DMC home](#)**TA WEB CERTIFICATION PROGRAM RESULTS**

Read an article in the latest issue of EDUCAUSE Quarterly about the results of efforts to evaluate the impact of this popular program. It was written by two DMC consultants, Brad Cohen and J. D. Walker, and Bill Rozaitis from CTLS. See <http://www.educause.edu/asp/doclib/abstract.asp?ID=EQM0345>

NOV. 11: NEXT TA WEB CERTIFICATION PROGRAM BEGINS

In this popular program, teaching assistants (TAs) learn about web-based teaching and learning strategies and web design and development techniques. See: <http://dmc.umn.edu/ta-web/>

NOV. 18: FLASH COMMUNICATION SERVER ORIENTATION

Take the new Flash Communication Server Orientation short course to learn how the Flash Communication Server on campus can be used to develop and deliver online communications applications for web conferencing, distance learning, collaboration, and data sharing. See: <http://trainingq.micro.umn.edu/ShortCourses/ClassDetail.cfm?ClassID=1569>

DEC. 2 TEL SEMINAR: LEARNING OBJECT TECHNOLOGIES

Panelists will discuss how they use technology to create self-contained learning objects that can be reused by other instructors: DEC 2, noon-1:30 PM, 274 MCNEAL HALL. See <http://dmc.umn.edu/series/fall03.shtml>

EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGISTS FORUM MEETINGS: DEC 10, OCT 2

The next meeting is on DEC 10; at the large group session, educational technologists from several units will give updates about current and future campus faculty support and development efforts. See <http://dmc.umn.edu/etf/schedule03.shtml>. Find out what happened at the OCT 2 meeting at <http://dmc.umn.edu/etf/october03.shtml>

CONFERENCE ON VIDEO & WIRELESS TECHNOLOGY MATERIALS

Videos of and materials presented by the speakers of the OCT 7 Wireless and Video technology tracks are online at <http://www.videoconference.umn.edu/presentations.htm>. Links to materials presented by nine of the Teaching & Learning track speakers also are included on this page and on the DMC site at <http://dmc.umn.edu/projects/>

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