Project update

During May, the following groups were migrated to Office 365, including Planning and Statistical Services, Research Services Division, Drill Hall Gallery, National Computational Infrastructure (NCI), and the Climate Change Institute.

In June the following groups to be migrated to Office 365 are College of Engineering and Computer Science (CECS), Research School of Psychology (RSP), National Centre for Public Awareness of Science (CPAS), Research School of Astronomy and Astrophysics (RSAA), Research School of Earth Sciences (RSES), Mathematical Sciences Institute (MSI), Fenner School of Environment & Society, Research School of Chemistry (RSC), Research School of Biology (RSB), College of Asia and the Pacific (CAP), and College of Arts and Social Sciences (CASS).

Migration will commence in July following testing within College of Business & Economics (CBE) and ANU College of Law (CoL). The Office of the Vice-Chancellor (OVC), North Australian Research Unit, National Centre for Indigenous Studies will also commence migration in early July.

Staff who have been migrated to Office 365 will soon have access to a 100GB email archive. Instructions for set-up and further information will be communicated and uploaded to the project webpage in late June.

Project overview

The ANU Email Consolidation project will migrate staff, student and alumni email accounts into a single consolidated cloud based environment using the Microsoft Office 365 product suite. Currently, there are 32 known email platforms operating across the University. In addition to the centrally managed UDS email platform, several Colleges and/or areas within Colleges manage their own email platforms. These arrangements are a historical legacy, and there is little value but considerable cost in continuing to duplicate services in this manner.

Cloud computing is essentially the provision of computing services over a network, typically the internet. For ANU, it will mean an ability to substantially increase email storage quotas and to provide integrated functionality. After consideration, Microsoft Office 365 has been selected to implement and provide these services.

Communication channels

(at varying times throughout project):

- IT Project Roadshow
- Project webpages
- Face-to-face meetings, including CIO Quarterly updates
- Information Technology Services website feature box
- Current student and/or staff website feature box
- The Link ITS newsletter
- ANU Billboard
- ANU Library Infoscreens
- ANU student residence Infoscreens
- ISIS login screen message
- Wattle login page
- A3 posters
- A5 flyers
- ANU and Library Facebook, Yammer and Twitter

itservices.anu.edu.au/projects/updates/anu-email

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