By the end of August, over 33,000 accounts will have migrated to Microsoft Office 365, as the ANU Email project draws to a close. The ANU Email project represents months of hard work and cross unit collaboration across the University, and is a significant achievement moving from a number of different email platforms to the one consolidated platform.

Migrations during August included the College of Business and Economics (CBE) and the Office of the Vice-Chancellor (OVC), which completed all planned migrations successfully early in the month.

Following the successful implementation of Office 365, the project team will look toward continuous improvement of the system and the different benefits available to staff and students. These include Microsoft Lync, shared calendaring and meeting rooms, Sharepoint, Cloudstor (a secure service to send and receive email items larger than 25MB), and the email archive.

This could not have been achieved without the tirelessness and incredible dedication of the ANU Email project team, technical staff, and supporting staff within ITS. ITS would like to extend a special thank you to the staff within the colleges who were an integral part of the Working Group, and devoted considerable time and effort to the project. Well done—a fantastic effort by all involved!

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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