**Use Case**

**Name:** Nate Lamb

**Identifier**- Login to application

**Description**- Basic overview of logging into the instant messenger.

**Goal**- establish user in the database and authenticate.

**Preconditions-** The system will be in an open state with no user logged in. It will be at the login prompt.

**Assumptions-** no user logged in. Connected to the server.

**Frequency-** Once per session. As many sessions as the user executes per day.

**Basic Course-**

1. User enters their user name.
2. The use enters their password
3. The password and username is passed to the server
4. The server authenticates the login credentials.

**Alternate Course- none**

**Post Conditions**- User is authenticated and ready to choose a contact to communicate with.