UCONN | Computer Technology Competencies

Module 3 - Internet - Web Basics

1. Browser settings and supported browsers

You already received an introduction to the University's NetID and StudentAdmin login credentials in Part 1 of the New Student Technology Tutorial (Storrs Regional).

The University of Connecticut provides several web-based enterprise systems for faculty and students. ePortfolio, HuskyCT (the Learning Management System or LMS), and StudentAdmin (the student records system or SRS), and other systems have preferred browser settings to optimize the performance of the system.

- ePortfolio recommended settings
- HuskyCT has a browser checker that can be launched once logged into the system - this is highly recommended! More browser information for HuskyCT is available from the Learning Resource Center.
- StudentAdmin (Oracle/PeopleSoft) recommended settings

Security Tip: Do not share your password or write it down. When logging into a website always log out at the end of the session and close the browser. Do not let your browser remember passwords for you.

If you have questions about a UConn website, you may call 860.486.help (4357) or go to http://helpme.uconn.edu for assistance.

2. Brandwidth limits for residential students

The best way to prevent a violation is to monitor your bandwidth usage. You should frequently check the Bandwidth Monitor website (palmer.uits.uconn.edu/bandwidth/) if you are worried about surpassing your allotted bandwidth. Once you are close to surpassing 16GB, you should limit your internet traffic.

3. <u>Copyright block</u>

Using programs such as Lime Wire and BearShare are not only harmful to your computer, but illegal. If you would like to obtain files such as music or television programs, you must purchase them via legal programs such as ITunes or Amazon.

Do not illegally download or install copyrighted material onto your computer.

4. <u>Network access block</u>

We all need to work together to keep UConn's networks secure and stable. Doing these simple things will help us all.

- Strong user password to log into your desktop
- Download and install your operating system's latest updates
- Make sure that your Firewall is enabled (Both Windows and Mac now come Auto-enabled)
- Updated antivirus programs for Windows based computers and run scans regularly.

5. Single sign-on

More than 50 systems at the University use the Central Authentication Service (CAS) for logging in. This is convenient for faculty, staff, and students because that means there are fewer passwords for people to remember and it is more secure than many other forms of web authentication. It is recommended that students set the GO page as their homepage and login there to begin their academic work. http://go.uconn.edu

After using Single-sign on, you must CLOSE YOUR BROWSER to truly logout. This is very important if you are using a public computer in a lab or library.

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