

Adding Welcome Files



Application URL

- * Currently, to access our MVC application
 - * Need to explicitly call the servlet URL

http://localhost:8080/web-student-tracker/StudentControllerServlet



Would Like To

* Just access our app ... without explicitly calling servlet URL

http://localhost:8080/web-student-tracker



Web App Welcome Files

- Java Servlet spec defines a deployment descriptor file
 - * WEB-INF/web.xml

Various configs for application deployment

Defines a list of "welcome files"



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- * If a file is not referenced ... then look for a matching "welcome file"
- Searches top down

File: WEB-INF/web.xml

```
<welcome-file-list>
     <welcome-file>index.html</welcome-file>
     <welcome-file>index.jsp</welcome-file>
</welcome-file-list>
```

