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Media & Academic Computer (M&AC) is actively working to complete the Enterprise Domain project. The objective of this effort is to establish an environment for desktop and personal computing at YSU that increases satisfaction with academic and academic support experiences related to individual computing technology.

As part of this project, individual desktop and laptop computers undergo a process of being "joined" to the YSU domain known as ysu.local. This process ordinarily takes 1 to 4 hours depending upon the age of, maintenance state of and/or volume of data on the specific computer. An essential step in this process is to meet and confer with each individual having an assigned YSU computer to both assess the state of the PC and the needs and concerns of the individual using the device to be joined. It is preferable that an entire office be joined to the domain simultaneously.

Becoming part of the domain technology community provides multiple benefits:
- Critical operating system patches are automatically and regularly applied decreased the risk of virus contamination and computer problems
- Network Drive storage, accessible both on campus and off, is provided to individuals and departments [click link for additional information]
- Computers authenticated to the YSU network but left unattended for 15 minutes are automatically secured to prevent unauthorized access and possible individual liability
- More timely and consistent technology support through the ability to deliver software and services over the network

Individuals interested whether or not they are already on the ysu.local domain can verify this according to the instructions available on the YSU TechDesk website (techdesk.ysu.edu). The YSU Tech Desk is available at extension 1595 or by emailing techdesk@ysu.edu to assist with this process.

For departments and individuals not yet on the domain, your department will be contacted by a member of the Media & Academic Computing project team in the near future. The plan is to complete outstanding administrative areas this summer (Summer 2012) and then complete outstanding academic areas during the Fall 2012 semester. Please direct any questions or concerns to the YSU Tech Desk for a response or referral to a domain project team member. The Tech Desk will also be contacting departments after migration to the domain to assess functionality and satisfaction. As always, we welcome your input.

Additional references:
- Responsible Use of University Technology Resources (4009.01)
- Sensitive Information Policy (4012.01)
- YSU Records Retention Policy (9009.01)