



University of Wolverhampton Simplifies Learning Curve with WebDrive®

Located in the heart of England, the University of Wolverhampton has four campuses covering the West Midlands and Shropshire. It gained university status in 1992 and has always focused on creating a learning environment of academic excellence for each of its students. Dedicated to being a first class regional university, it wanted to provide students and staff with a solution for storing and accessing files.

The University wanted a simple, fast and effective FTP solution. After completing a simple web search, the University discovered WebDrive, which offered a central storage location through which students and staff could easily gain access to files externally or through a wireless connection. "With WebDrive's drive mapping capabilities we were able to avoid implementing a Virtual Private Network (VPN), which would have been much more difficult to support," claims Max Caines, Network Design Consultant for the University.

WebDrive was introduced to the students and staff in conjunction with the release of their wireless network, which provided Internet access to over 1,700 rooms on-campus. In addition, the University implemented an Internet server API (ISAPI) filter on their server, creating an identical URL map to each user's storage space. This simplified user installation because it enabled the University to package a configuration file with WebDrive.

In the future, the University plans to implement a centralized storage location and give shared access to each university department.

About University of Wolverhampton

The University's priority is to enable and encourage individuals to realize their full potential and to achieve academic excellence through a flexible, innovative and vocationally focused curriculum. The University is committed to making a major contribution to the social and economic prosperity of the West Midlands with its programs of applied research, technology transfer and consultancy. Support of cultural diversity and equality of opportunity is strongly encouraged and found in all University associated activities at home and abroad.