Identity Management Glossary of Terms

- **AccessVU**: The new Identity Management infrastructure responsible for granting access to digital resources at Vanderbilt.
- **AD**: Active Directory. The directory service that allows a user to log into the windows Vanderbilt domain and access windows resources like printers and file shares.
- **Alias Domain**: An alias domain for an email address, for example Jane.Doe@Owen.Vanderbilt.edu.
- **Alternate BCA**: Legacy term for an alternate email address
- **Anonymous LDAP**: This is a directory service that provides email address information without requiring a user to login with their VUnetID and ePassword. This service is used by some third party email clients for looking up address information.
- **BCA**: Legacy term for a primary email address
- **Create Date**: The date that a record is created.
- **eLDAP**: The directory service responsible for providing ePassword authentication.
- **ePassword**: The password that works with VUnetID that represents an individual’s digital identity at Vanderbilt.
- **GAL**: Global Address Book. Most often this is the name for the address book within outlook.
- **Gapps GAL Visibility**: Google Apps Global Address Book Visibility. This determines if a user’s contact information is published in the VU Gmail student address book.
- **Gapps Username**: The username that a student would use to log directly into the VU Gmail environment. Most often this would be used to configure a mobile email client or a local email client.
- **Gapps**: Google Applications. This is another term for VU Gmail.
- **gLDAP**: a shortened version of “Guest LDAP”
- **Guest LDAP**: The directory service that is setup specifically for guest accounts. This allows guest accounts to authenticate using their guest Vanderbilt credentials. This is NOT the same as, and is completely separated from an ePassword account.
- **HID Number**: This is the encrypted ID value on the new iClass proximity cards.
- **HR Department Name**: The name of an HR department. Usually associated with an employee.
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- **HR First Feed**: The first time that an account was shown to officially be in the Human resources PeopleSoft data feed into AccessVU.

- **Live GAL Visibility**: This determines if a user’s contact information is published in the VU Live global address book.

- **Live ID**: The username that a student or an employee would use to log directly into the VU Live environment. Most often this would be used to configure a mobile email client or a local email client.

- **MAC Account**: Manually Administer Created Account. These are accounts that are manually created by an administrator that do not need to go through the invitation process.

- **Mailing List**: A list of email addresses associated with a single account.

- **Permanent BCA**: This is a permanent email address that an account has. It will never be able to be changed.

- **PII**: User’s Personally Identifiable Information (PII) – PII is the user’s date of birth and social security information.

- **PIN**: The PIN number is a four digit number that is associated with an iClass proximity card. This is mainly used in clinical workstation environments, but may be expanded to other areas.

- **PM**: Privilege Management is used to determine "who can do what" for a center or department (e.g., "who can give me access to eDog?").

- **Preferred Email Address**: This is the email address that a user prefers to use. It is usually this email address that will appear in the GAL.

- **Reauth**: The process by which a user may reclaim an existing VUnetID by providing their legal first name, last name, date of birth and the last 5 digits of the SSN. This process is used as a last resort if the user cannot remember their password or the answers to their challenge questions.

- **Resource Account**: This is an account that a computer or system would use to access Vanderbilt network resources. Resource accounts are rarely used by people to login.

- **Service Delete Date**: This is the date at which an account is deleted from the system.

- **Service Disable Date**: This is the date at which an account is disabled in the system.

- **Shared Mailbox**: This is a mailbox that can be shared across multiple people.
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- **Staff**: an employee of Vanderbilt University. This also can mean an employee who is not considered a faculty member.
- **Student**: Account classified as the student type.
- **Test Account**: an account that is used to test a system. Test accounts are limited in their lifespan and should not be shared.
- **uLDAP**: This is the directory service that is responsible for providing authentication and group management for UNIX based server administration.
- **vLDAP**: a shortened version of “Vanderbilt for Life LDAP”
- **Vanderbilt for Life LDAP**: The directory service that is setup specifically for Vanderbilt for Life accounts.
- **Vmail**: Vanderbilt’s enterprise messaging system, providing email, calendaring, and contact management powered by Microsoft Exchange.
- **VU Gmail**: Vanderbilt’s Gmail service for undergraduate students. This Gmail service maintains a @vanderbilt.edu address for those individuals.
- **VUdirectory**: Vanderbilt’s email address book.
- **VUexchange**: Vanderbilt’s legacy Exchange 2003 service recently decommissioned.
- **VUgroupspace**: Vanderbilt University’s departmental network file storage.
- **VU Live**: Vanderbilt’s Microsoft Live service. This service is available to all faculty, staff and students and provides cloud based Microsoft services such as online file storage and office tools.
- **VUmail**: Vanderbilt University’s legacy, IMAP email system.
- **VUmailguard**: Part of the Vanderbilt email service, helps keep Vanderbilt’s network safe, secure, and useful by offering protection from viruses and unsolicited email – email anti-spam service.
- **VUMC Exchange**: VUMC’s legacy Exchange 2003 service in process of being decommissioned. Mailboxes in process of moving to Vmail (Exchange 2007).
- **VUnet**: The campus data network.
- **VUnetID Authentication**: Authenticate users with their VUnetID and ePassword to gain entry into proprietary systems/etc.
• **VUnetID for Life**: A special directory service that continues to support an individual’s VUnetID and ePassword even after they are no longer an active student, faculty or staff member.

• **VUnetID**: The means for Vanderbilt users to identify themselves to certain services on VUnet. VUnetID works with ePassword representing an individual’s digital identity.

• **VUspace**: Vanderbilt University’s individual network file storage.