

Save early and often. Back up your work.

Chupacabra

Chupacabra is the server we use to share files. Everyone in the DMA program has a folder on Chupacabra which they can access via the following:

In the finder, select Go>Connect to Server (fig.0.1) or type ⌘K. From the window that appears (fi. 0.2), scroll down on the left to vlan80, click it, and then click “Chupacabra” on the right. Click connect.

In the dialogue box that pops up, enter your username (the part of your Canisius email address before the @ symbol) and password (the day of your birth followed by the last four digits of your SS#). You may be prompted to change your password; if so, re-enter the password of your choice (make sure it is longer than 6 lettres/digits).

Select Students when you are re asked to select a volume (fig. 0.3).

You may now access your folder from the list of student users. Every student folder is accessible, meaning you can double-click on any folder and see what’s inside. However, what you’ll see looks like (fig. 0.4), and as you can see, every folder except for Public is locked. Other students can Read (view and copy FROM) files that are in this folder, and Write (copy TO) files to the Drop Box sub-folder. Get familiar with the way these folders are graphically represented (fig. 0.5).

If you are having problems accessing Chupacabra, contact Nathan Johnson (johnsonn@canisius.edu or ext. 3279) or Scott Clark (clarks@canisius.edu or ext. 2467).

Benscomputer

I have tried to simplify the procedure for dropping off work by eliminating the student account on my computer and setting up the dunkleb Public folder to accept student work.

Log into my office computer to drop work off, unless otherwise notified. To do this, connect to server as previously noted, and select Communications from the list on the left. On the right, select benscomputer, and log in using “Guest”. you will not be prompted for a username/ password, and when you double-click on the dunkleb

fig. 0.1

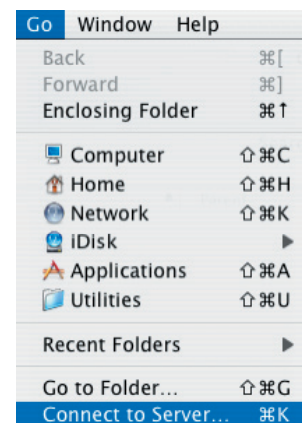


fig. 0.2

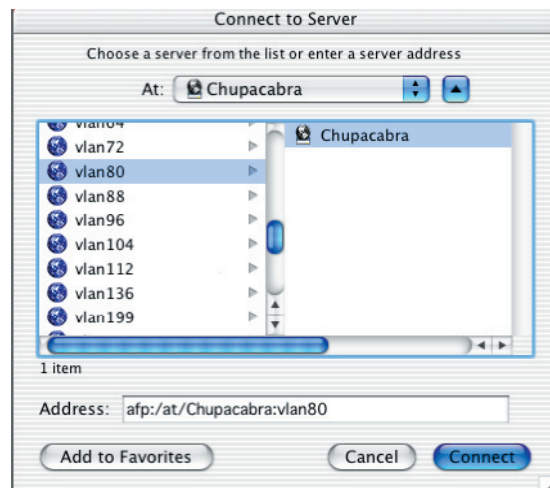
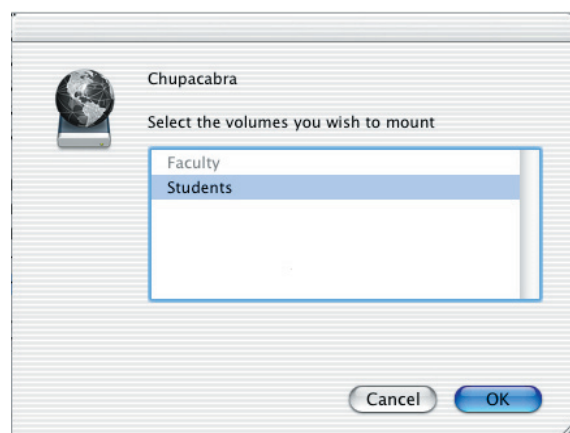


fig. 0.3



icon, you'll see a folder called Drop off work here. Inside that folder are named class folders. Drop off your work in the appropriate folder.

Once folders are dropped-off, they can't be accessed. If you made a mistake and dropped off the wrong folder, drop off a USE folder according to the naming conventions.

Occasionally I will have files for you to use that I put in a folder called "Shared", in the Public folder. The Shared folder is Read-Only, which means you can look inside the folder, and copy files FROM the folder. Class notes, instructional videos, etc. can be found here.

Naming Files and folders

Whenever you are given an assignment, you should immediately create a new folder on the desktop of the computer where you are working. Name the folder as follows:

username_ex2_207a (fig. 0.6, typical assignment folder)

username_ex2_207a_use (if you accidentally drop off the wrong folder, drop off another folder with this name and I'll trash the other one).

username_ex2_207a_redo (if you are resubmitting an assignment)

username_ex2_207a_review (if you are submitting an assignment for review, and not for a grade)

Substitute your own username, assignment number, and class name. Please do **not** use the following characters in names:

-capitals

-spaces

-non alphanumeric characters

(anything other than a-z and 0-9)

Make sure the order of information is correct; notice I use username first, assignment number second, and class name third. Files that you save into the folder can be named however you like (as long as you follow standard restrictions).

After working on a computer, drag the folder from the desktop to your storage device (Chupacabra, external drive, or Zip disk). Then trash the folder on the desktop.

fig. 0.4

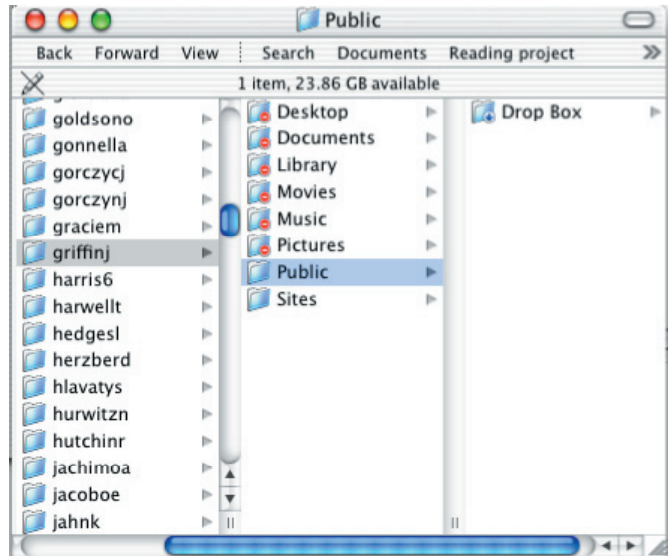
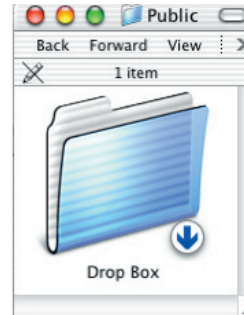
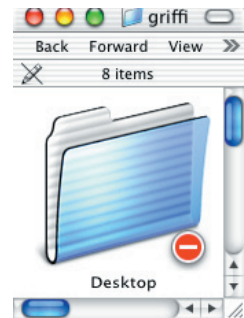


fig. 0.5



Write only folders have a blue arrow pointing downward. Once you drag an assignment into a write-only folder, it is copied into the folder and the copy is not accessible to you. If you try to copy the same folder again, you will get an error telling you that you don't have sufficient privileges. If you must copy the assignment again, rename the assignment.



Locked folders have a red-dash. You cannot look inside the folder, or drag anything into it.

fig. 0.6



A properly named folder. Since it has my username on it, it probably contains something phat.