



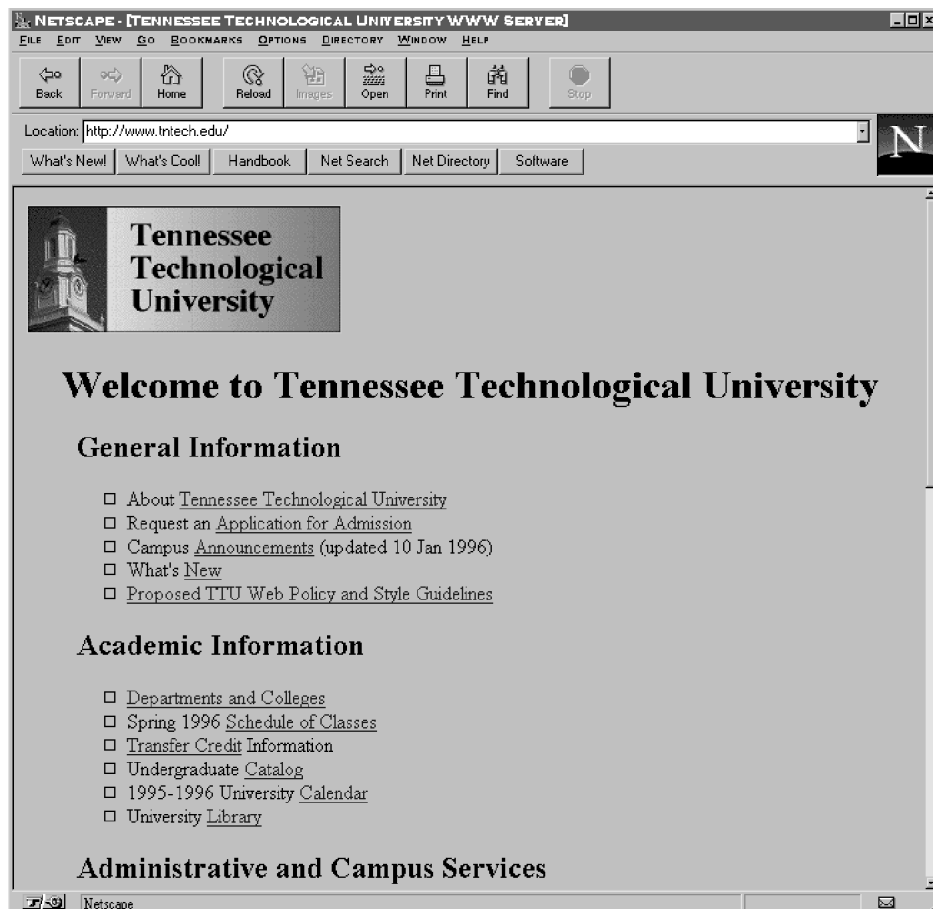
Surfing the Web with Netscape

Introduction

The World-Wide Web is a system of linked hypertext documents. You use a Web browser to follow links and view and retrieve information. If you have a microcomputer with a direct Internet connection or SLIP/PPP access, you can use a graphical browser such as Netscape to retrieve not only text but also images, movies and sounds.

Getting Started

To enter Netscape, double-click on the Netscape icon. The following window will appear on your screen:



If Tennessee Tech's welcome page does not appear on the screen, click on the *Home* icon. Clicking on *Home* will always return you to this page. To scroll up and down in the document, use the scroll bar and arrows on the far right side of the Netscape window.



Viewing Information

As you scroll through TTU's welcome page, you'll notice that some of the words appear in blue and are underlined. An item highlighted in such a fashion is a *hypertext link* - clicking on it will take you to another Web document. By clicking on hypertext links, you can navigate from document to document on the Web, viewing what interests you.

To go back to a document you've already visited, you can click on the *Back* icon. Remember, to go all the way back to TTU's welcome page, where you started, you can simply click on the *Home* icon.



As you navigate through the Web, you'll encounter many documents containing images. Sometimes clicking on one of these pictures will take you to another document. An easy way to tell if an image contains a link to something else is to move the mouse pointer over the image *without clicking*. If the image contains a hypertext link, an address (for example, something like `http://www.foo.edu/moo/cows.html`) will appear in the very bottom left-hand corner of the screen.

Navigating around the Web

There are basically three ways to navigate around the Web:

- *browsing* from page to page, selecting information that looks interesting
- making use of the *subject collections and Web search tools* that are found near the bottom of Tennessee Tech's home page or
- connecting to a specific page by entering that document's *URL*.

Connecting to a Specific URL

Each document on the Web can be described by a *Uniform Resource Locator*, or *URL*. A URL tells your Web browser the name of the item, where it is located, and how to get it.

Format:

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protocol://hostname/directory-path/filename
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Examples:

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http://csep1.phy.ornl.gov/csep.html
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http://www.intellicast.com/weather/usa/
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```
ftp://ftp.tntech.edu/pub/mac/comm/NewsWatcher-20.bin
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If you have the URL of a document you wish to retrieve, you can connect to that page by entering its URL in the **Location** box below the navigational icons near the top of the screen. Be sure to type in the URL exactly as it has been given, including any capitalization or lower-case letters as they were specified.

Saving Information in a File and Printing a Document

You can get a printed copy of a document you are viewing by clicking on the **Print** icon. To save a copy of the document, choose **File–Save As** from the menu at the top of the screen and specify the name, format (text), and desired location for the file on your microcomputer.



Setting Up Bookmarks

Bookmarks allow you to customize your view of the Web, and provide a quick way to access frequently-used items.

To create a bookmark to a Web document while viewing it, choose **Bookmarks–Add Bookmark** from the menu at the top of the screen.

To retrieve an item that you have previously saved as a bookmark, go to the **Bookmarks** menu and choose that document title from the list of bookmarks that appear.

To delete a bookmark from your bookmark list, go to the **Bookmarks** menu and choose **Go to Bookmarks**. Single-click on the item in the bookmark list, and choose **Edit–Delete** from the menu.