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Better, faster, easier; UF's NETg server is getting an upgrade that will greatly improve service to our user community.

NERDC's new NETg online training courses server comes with much more disk space, so we can install many more courses. Before, we had to be selective in the courses we installed, due to the lack of space.

The new server's 100 gigabyte hard drive is five times the size of the old server. In addition to more courses on desktop, Web-based and networking topics, many of the new courses will focus on mainframe computing topics such as CICS, DB2, JCL, and others.

One common request has been that we install the audio component of the courses. This has been an option available for a while, but there was no room for it on the old server. When the courseware is installed on the new server, most courses will also be audio-enabled. That means a voice will be reading what's on your screen. This should improve your rate of learning and retention by bringing more of your senses into play. It will also make sure you don't miss anything on the screen.

With the new server, you'll be able to download courses or use your browser, just as you've done before. However, the new interface (what you see on your computer screen) will look and feel slightly different. It will also simplify the use of the system.
What won't change is the work you've already done. All of the data that was on the old server-registration, courses, tests, and scores—will transfer, so no work will be lost. If you're working on downloaded courses, you will need to complete and upload the scores for any of those courses before we switch to the new server. We will publish an announcement at least two weeks in advance of the change-over to give you time to finish any downloaded courses in progress and upload your scores.

The new server should be up and running soon, so watch for the announcement in NERDC News and in a future issue of /Update.

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