



## **Configure Windows XP**

### **Setting Up a Network Connection in Windows XP**

The following instructions assume that a network card has been installed in the computer or that the computer was purchased with a network card installed.

1. Click on **Start** → **Settings** → **Control Panel**
2. Double-click **System**
3. Click on the **Computer Name** tab  
In the *Computer description* box type the name of your residence hall and your room number (i.e. Lyons #10)  
Click on **Change**
4. Fill in the *Computer name* box with your first and last name with no spaces (i.e. JohnDoe)  
Click on the **Workgroup** button and type `student` in the box  
Click on **OK** to close this window
5. Click **OK** to *Welcome to the "Student" workgroup*
6. Click **OK** to *You must restart this computer for the changes to take effect*
7. Click on **OK** to close the *System Properties* window
8. Click **Yes** to *Do you want to restart your computer now?*
9. Click on the **Start** menu
10. Click **Control Panel**
11. Click **Network and Internet Connections**
12. Click **Network Connections**
13. Right click **Local Area Connection**
14. Click **Properties**
15. Double click on **Internet Protocol (TCP/IP)**
16. On the *General* tab, click **Obtain an IP address automatically**

Click **Obtain DNS server address automatically**

Click **OK**

17. Click **OK** to close the *Local Area Connection Properties* window
18. Click on the red X in the upper right corner to close the *Network Connections* window