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Grouper BOF

- Welcome
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- Core Team
- What is Grouper
- Grouper and TIER
- Progress since Global Summit
- Roadmap and Scheduling
- TIER Grouper Deployment Guide
- Community Contributions
- Discussion

Grouper Core Team

- Chris Hyzer (Penn) - Grouper lead, API, WS, and UI
- Shilen Patel (Duke) - API and everything else
- Bert Bee-Lindgren (Georgia Tech) - provisioning
- Vivek Sachdeva (independent) - WS
- Emily Eisbruch (Internet2) - work group support
- Chad Redman (UNC) – starting with build and dependency management
- Jim Fox (University of Washington) – conference calls
- Bill Thompson

What is Grouper?

- Central authorization
- Groups
- Permissions
- Provisioning
- Auditing
- Delegation and distributed management

Grouper and TIER

TIER provides:

- Requirements for development
- Funding
- Architectural guidance
- Standards to harmonize with other TIER products
- Contributions in areas such as: packaging, security, administrative help, etc

Grouper progress in last 6 months

Note, most or all of these things are in 2.3.0 patches

- GSH(ng)
- Instrumentation on UI
- Real time loader with messaging (works with LDAP)
- Attestation update in UI
- Started on deprovisioning in UI
- Improved grouper daemon logging
- UI accessibility
- Add messaging strategies
- Messaging WS operations
- Messaging to WS connector to run Grouper logic from messaging
- External users migrated from Lite UI to New UI
- PSPNG

Improve GSH - GSHNG

<https://spaces.internet2.edu/display/Grouper/Grouper+Shell+Improvements>

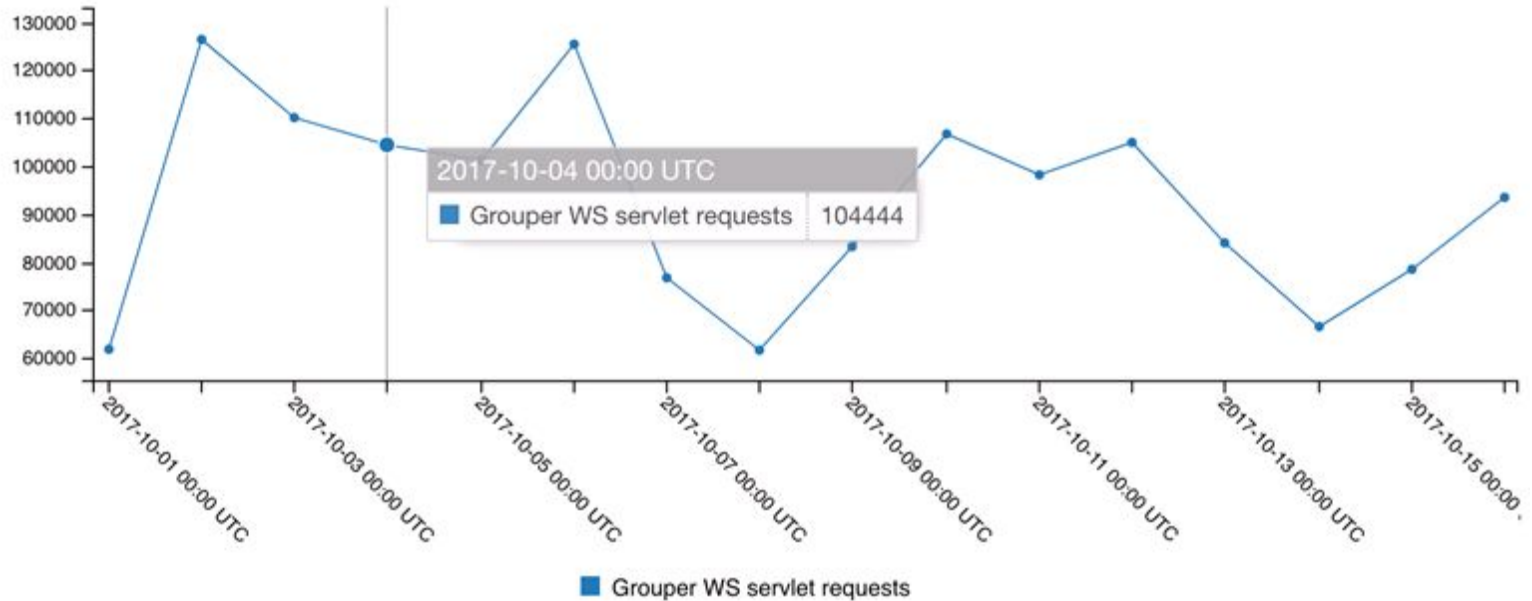
- Previously Grouper used BeanShell
 - Not the most user friendly implementation - no history, tab completion, etc.
- Grouper 2.3 patch switches to Groovy as the default shell
 - Backwards compatible (mostly)
 - Built in GSH commands all work as before
 - History, tab completion, etc
 - Custom Groovy scripts/methods.
 - If you have issues, you can revert back to BeanShell by a simple configuration setting

Added instrumentation thread to Grouper WS

<https://spaces.internet2.edu/display/Grouper/Grouper+instrumentation>

UUID	Engine name	Server label	Last update
f3520c6667ac40428fa5f697f10dd577	grouperUI	grouper-web-01.oit.duke.edu	Mon Oct 16 20:29:44 EDT 2017
01e4114075244be89d24b1f67bb4899f	grouperUI	grouper-web-03.oit.duke.edu	Mon Oct 16 20:20:28 EDT 2017
b088f2537a994317b84f622f44dbfa59	grouperWS	grouper-web-02.oit.duke.edu	Mon Oct 16 20:23:02 EDT 2017
68553324ab8348d68d4bc487779f3cb9	grouperLoader	idms-admin-grouper-01	Mon Oct 16 20:37:13 EDT 2017
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1f1528cf84d740de99727dd111af90ec	grouperWS	grouper-web-03.oit.duke.edu	Mon Oct 16 20:20:32 EDT 2017
fe8a6cb9a4514881a55e953c5efaf181	grouperUI	grouper-web-02.oit.duke.edu	Mon Oct 16 20:22:55 EDT 2017

Added instrumentation thread to Grouper WS



Real-time loader from message

<https://spaces.internet2.edu/display/Grouper/Grouper+loader+real+time+updates>

```
messaging.listener.myCustomMessagingListener.class = edu.internet2.middleware.grouper.app.loader.GrouperLoaderIncrementalMess.  
messaging.listener.myCustomMessagingListener.quartzCron = 0 * * * * ?  
messaging.listener.myCustomMessagingListener.messagingSystemName = grouperBuiltinMessaging  
messaging.listener.myCustomMessagingListener.queueName = abc  
messaging.listener.myCustomMessagingListener.numberOfTriesPerIteration = 3  
messaging.listener.myCustomMessagingListener.pollingTimeoutSeconds = 18  
messaging.listener.myCustomMessagingListener.sleepSecondsInBetweenIterations = 0  
messaging.listener.myCustomMessagingListener.maxMessagesToReceiveAtOnce = 20  
# if there are 20 messages to receive at once, then do this 50 times per call max  
messaging.listener.myCustomMessagingListener.maxOuterLoops = 50  
messaging.listener.myCustomMessagingListener.incrementalLoaderJobName = incrementalLoader1
```

- Update the messagingSystemName to point to your messaging system (Grouper supports a built in messaging system along with RabbitMQ, AWS, etc).
- Update the queueName
- Update incrementalLoaderJobName based on what was configured earlier in the Configuration section above.

Format of messages:

```
{'subjectId':'test.subject.0', 'loaderGroupName':'test:owner', 'sourceId':'jdbc'}
```

Attestation in New UI

<https://spaces.internet2.edu/display/Grouper/Grouper+attestation>

- Global screen to see attestable groups
- Global screen to see attestation configuration
- Folder level screen to see attestable groups
- Folder level screen to see attestation configuration
- Manage attestation on folders or groups
- See attestation on manage members screen
- See audits
- Demo

Deprovisioning UI

<https://spaces.internet2.edu/display/Grouper/Grouper+deprovisioning>

- Allow deprovisioning admins (HR?) to deprovision users
- See all direct access assignments (eligible for deprovisioning)
- Notify system admins where Grouper is not the system of record
- Configure deprovisioning on folders or groups
- Audit
- Reprovision the same user or another user
- Restrict users from loader jobs (temporarily)
- See current screens

Improved Grouper Daemon logging

<https://spaces.internet2.edu/display/Grouper/Grouper+daemon+log>

- Logs go to dedicated file (or syslog or whatever configured in log4j.properties)

Simple SQL group loader logs

```
2017-08-19 15:48:45,729: logType: membershipManagement, overallId: TGTZ5LS0, groupName: test:testLoader, subject: Subject id: test.subject
2017-08-19 15:48:45,730: logType: membershipManagement, overallId: TGTZ5LS0, groupName: test:testLoader, subject: Subject id: test.subject
2017-08-19 15:48:45,730: logType: membershipManagement, overallId: TGTZ5LS0, groupName: test:testLoader, subject: Subject id: test.subject
2017-08-19 15:48:45,742: logType: overallLog, overallId: TGTZ5LS0, dryRun: false, jobName: SQL_SIMPLE__test:testLoader_ccf74f3b4d0743428
```

Improved Grouper Daemon logging (continued)

```
t id: test.subject.1, sourceId: jdbc, operation: add, success: true, threadId: 30, elapsed: 58 ms  
t id: test.subject.0, sourceId: jdbc, operation: add, success: true, threadId: 28, elapsed: 59 ms  
t id: test.subject.2, sourceId: jdbc, operation: add, success: true, threadId: 29, elapsed: 59 ms  
ccf74f3b4d0743428f7d72a14d8d81db, status: SUCCESS, jobType: SQL_SIMPLE, host: ISC15-0009-WD, dbName: grouper, query: SELECT 'jdbc' AS subje
```

```
query: SELECT 'jdbc' AS subject_source_id, subjectId AS subject_id FROM SUBJECT WHERE subjectId IN  
('test.subject.0', 'test.subject.1', 'test.subject.2'),
```

```
rowsFromExternal: 3, rowsFromGrouper: 0,  
deleteCount: 0, insertCount: 3, updateCount: 0, totalCount: 3,  
millisGetData: 25, millisLoadData: 70, threadId: 1, elapsed: 156 ms
```

UI accessibility improvements

- Report from Colorado
- Fixed the issues, committed to github
- Reviewed by Colorado
- Patched

Messaging strategies

- RabbitMQ (AMQP)

<https://spaces.internet2.edu/display/Grouper/Grouper+Messaging+with+RabbitMQ>

Note: this is running on the demo server with TLS

- ActiveMQ

<https://spaces.internet2.edu/display/Grouper/Grouper+Messaging+with+ActiveMQ>

- AWS

<https://spaces.internet2.edu/display/Grouper/Grouper+Messaging+with+AWS+SQS>

- Of course there is the built-in messaging that uses the Grouper database

Messaging WS operations

- Also included in grouper client
- Send a message

<https://spaces.internet2.edu/display/Grouper/Message+Send>

- Receive a message

<https://spaces.internet2.edu/display/Grouper/Message+Receive>

- Mark a message as processed

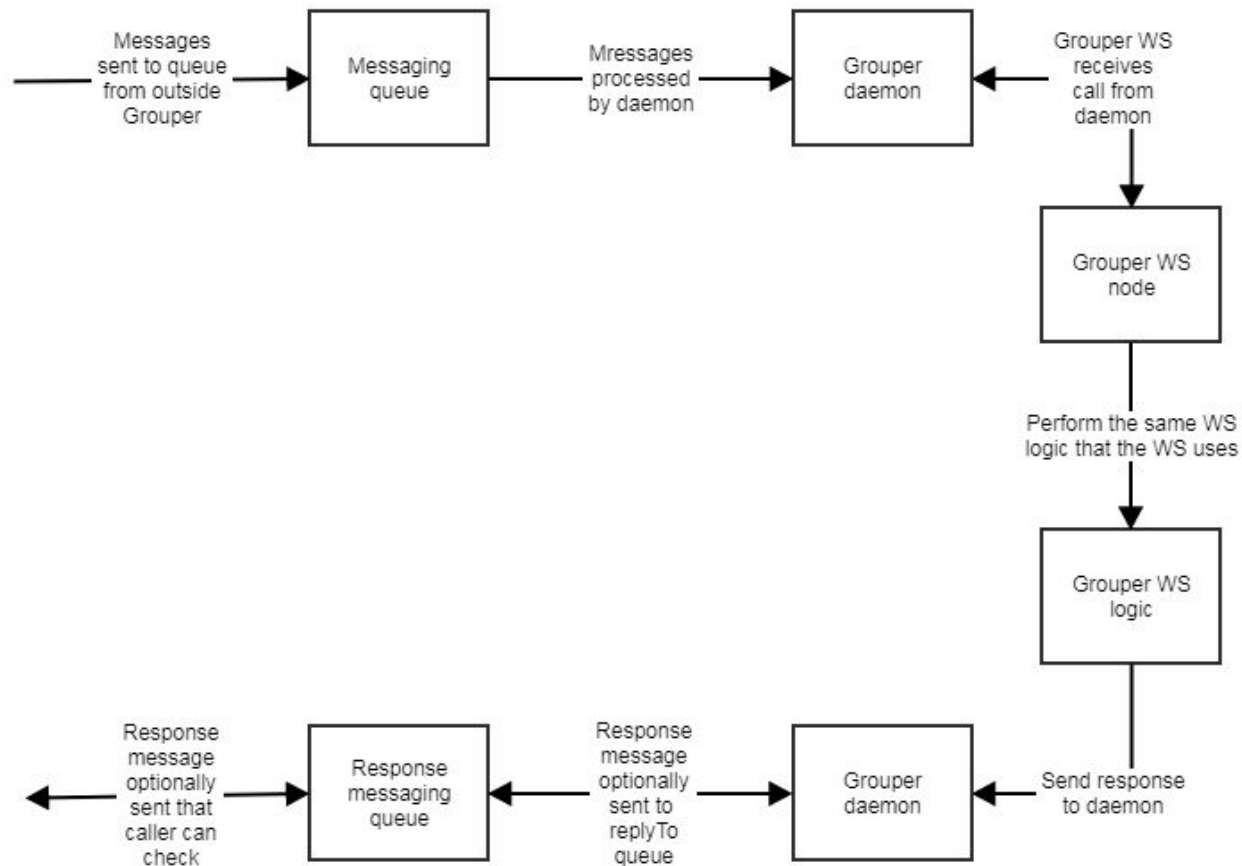
<https://spaces.internet2.edu/display/Grouper/Message+Acknowledge>

Messaging to WS connector

- Grouper listens on a queue and proxies to WS
- Can add member, remove, view, etc

<https://spaces.internet2.edu/display/Grouper/Grouper+messaging+to+web+service+API>

Messaging to WS connector



External users migrated to New UI

- This work is in git will be in a patch soon (default to off)



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Provisioning - PSPNG Background

- Definition: Grouper Provisioning
 - Reflecting Group Memberships in remote systems
 - LDAP, Office 365, Wiki, Duo, LMS, Active Directory, G-Suite,
 - Data: Memberships & Group Information
- History of Grouper Provisioning
 - Lots of point solutions, added by sites
 - < 2.3: Grouper PSP - Very Flexible, Complicated and Slow
 - **2.3: Grouper PSPNG - Less Flexible, but simple and fast**
- Goals for PSPNG
 - Simple to configure
 - Just enough flexibility and controls
 - Growing list of targets
 - Fast

Provisioning - PSPNG Current

Current Functionality: (v2.3)

- LDAP Targets
 - LDAP Groups
 - Both member-required and member-optional schemas
 - LDAP Attributes
 - Active Directory Groups
- Incremental Provisioning with periodic Full Syncs
- Messaging: On-demand full syncs
- Automated QA - Integration Tests (docker)
- Password encryption
- Improvements to Bushy Group Folders
- FullSync Improvements: Status feedback
- Updating (non-membership) group attributes [Coming Soon]

Provisioning - PSPNG Roadmap

Ongoing (v2.3 patches)

- Bugs & Gaps
 - Total control of provisioned attribute (prefix=*)
 - Multi-schema groups (multiple membership attributes)
 - Cleaning up empty OUs
- Provisioning & UI:
 - Easier group/folder selection
 - Initiate full-sync from UI
 - See last/current full-sync status/progress
 - Last full-sync summary (adds/removes/correct)
 - Deprovisioning SafetyNets: Alerts & Overrides
 - DN, Attribute, etc of provisioned destination
- Performance: Perform FullSyncs under heavy change

V2.4

- Message-driven provisioning - especially error recovery
- New Endpoints, possibly:
 - Azure / Office 365: Feedback?
 - G-Suite
 - Dropbox

Grouper Roadmap - to do for 2.4

<https://spaces.internet2.edu/display/Grouper/Grouper+Product+Roadmap>

- Deprovisioning in UI
- Replace Admin and Lite UI with “New UI”
- Provisioning in UI
- Migrate from vt-Idap to Idaptive
- Membership reports first pass?
- Add columns for group expiry, membership notes?
- Allow ability to store configuration in the database
- Release Jan 2018 hopefully

Grouper Roadmap - after 2.4

<https://spaces.internet2.edu/display/Grouper/Grouper+Product+Roadmap>

- Provisioning
 - Improvements
 - More targets
- Add more WS operations
- Add more TIER API operations
- Get more institutions to use the TIER API and packaging
- More UIs for:
 - Attributes
 - Configuration
 - Rules
- Group expire dates
- <Add your item here>

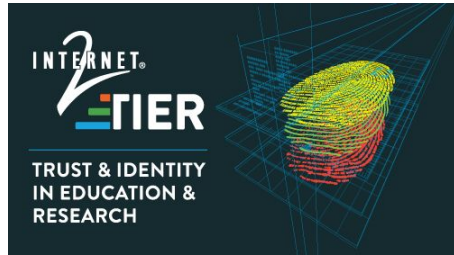


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Why do we need a guide?

- **“Better documentation will make your project more successful”** – Daniele Procida
- Four distinct types/purposes:
 - Tutorials – learn by doing, getting started, repeatable, concrete
 - How-to Guides – series of steps, specific real goal/problem, some flexibility
 - Reference – technical description, information oriented, accuracy
 - Discussions – context, explaining why, multiple examples
- <https://www.divio.com/en/blog/documentation/>

TIER Grouper Deployment Guide

“The goal of this document is to help you come up to speed on Grouper concepts, how they relate to identity and access management, and how they can be deployed to implement effective access control in a wide variety of situations.”

Section 3 Understanding Grouper

Section 4 Installing Grouper

Section 5 TIER Folder and Group Design

Section 6 Access Control Models

Section 7 Provisioning

Section 8 Operational Considerations

Section 9 Conclusion

Appendix A Example policies

Appendix B Acknowledgements



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Terminology

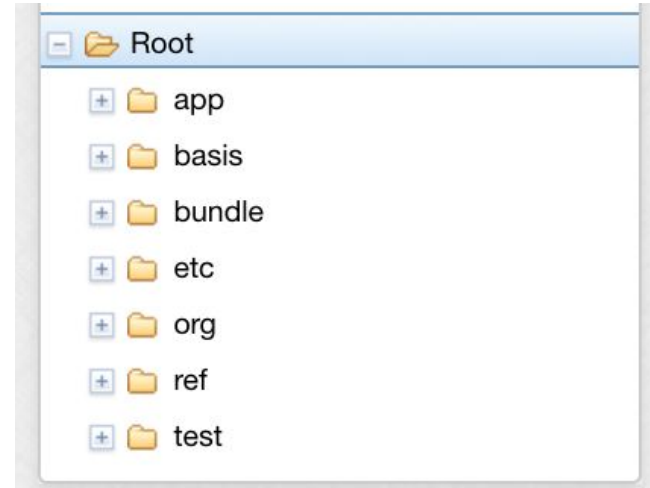
- [NIST 800-162 ABAC](#)
- [Grouper glossary](#)
- [Grouper UI terminology](#)

- **Direct membership** – subject added directly to a group’s membership list
- **Indirect membership** – subject is a member by virtue of membership in another group
- **Composite group** - combining two other groups to form a third group

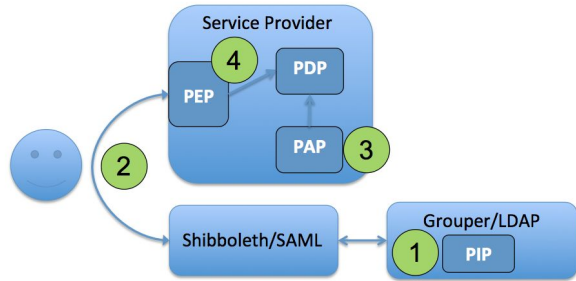
- **Basis group** – direct subject membership, low level, “raw” groups
- **Reference group** – institutionally meaningful cohorts
- **Access/Account policy group** – pre-computed policy decision

TIER Folder and Group Design

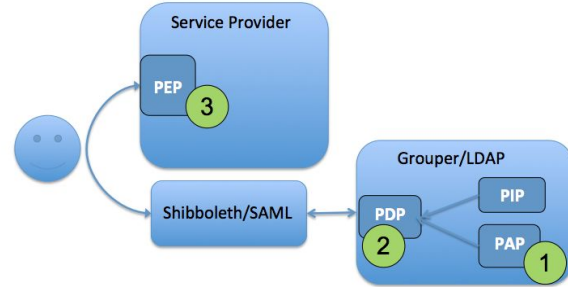
"Just having a plan or standard has been quite helpful, as it allows implementers to get on with real work without having to stumble on how to name things or where to stick them." - Tom Barton



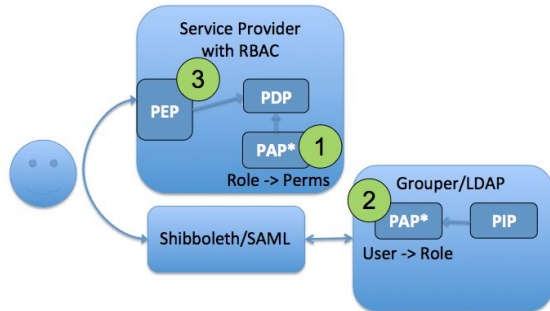
Access Control Models



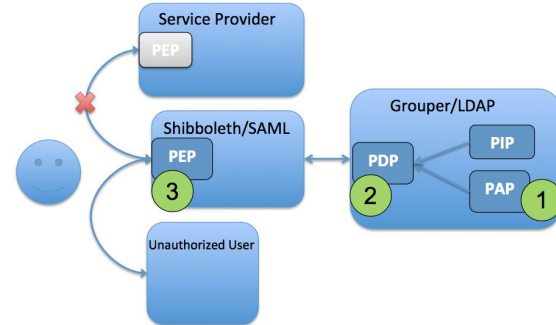
ACM1 - eduPersonAffiliation



ACM2 - eduPersonEntitlement



ACM3 - Application RBAC



ACM4 - WebSSO short-circuit

Grouper Deployment Guide Outcomes

- Model and Terminology
 - Basis → reference → policy
 - Reference groups = subject attributes (institutionally meaningful cohorts)
 - Strategy applies to all four access control models
- Policy is more organized, discoverable, manageable, and auditable
- Management of policy easy, flexible, and can be delegated
- Improved security posture and ability to onboard new services quickly

ACAMP Ideas

- Deep dive into basis and reference groups
- Deep dive into TIER provisioning models
 - pspng, rabbitmq, midpoint, comanage
- TIER Grouper Deployment Guide next steps
 - TIER component integration
 - More operational guidance
 - Real world config examples, How-tos
- Grouper product vision and design goals
 - TIER based capabilities
 - Grouper/folder UI hints
 - Rules/Attributes UI

Grouper Community Contributions on the Grouper wiki

New York University - (Updated May 2016) Grouper deployment at NYU, including selective group exclusion when provisioning.

Newcastle University (Updated 2016)- A video on how groups are structured, information on access control groups using Talend, managing

Northern Arizona University - See how Northern Arizona University integrated Grouper and uPortal

Oregon State University (Updated June 2015)– using Grouper for video access, Canvas, and Google Apps

Penn State University - (Updated Feb. 2015) Using Grouper with the Central Person Registry.

Simon Fraser University - Using the Grouper Loader, the Changelog and an ESB connector

SURFnet OpenConext - See how Grouper is used within the OpenConext collaboration platform

University of Arizona Grouper Pages (Updated 2014)- a self-service utility allows FERPA-trained faculty and staff members to manage ad-h

University of Auckland, NZ (Added 2016) - Migrating all group management functionality to Grouper

University of California, Berkeley (Updated Oct. 2014)– Grouper in production with CalMessages email broadcast

University of California Los Angeles (Updated Aug. 2016) - Overview of Grouper use cases and deployment at UCLA

University of California, Santa Cruz (Added Oct. 2015) - Grouper for VPN

University of Chicago (Updated Jan. 2016)– Learn about U. Chicago Grouper, including access management features and VPN delegation.

University of Colorado Boulder (Updated Sept. 2016) - Grouper with Exchange / Office 365

University of Edinburgh (Added April 2015)–Learn about the deployment of Grouper 2.2 with Tomcat 8/Java 8.

Grouper Community Contributions

Share your Grouper experience on the Grouper wiki

- Update it from time to time
- <https://spaces.internet2.edu/display/Grouper/Community+Contributions>
- See or email Emily Eisbruch (emily@internet2.edu) for help setting up your Grouper contributions page

Thanks to all those who have recently updated their Grouper Contributions page!



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- Join the Grouper-Users email list
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