Obtaining and Loading Windows-XP Professional

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All JMU students in Computer Science can download on the internet a copy of the Windows-XP Professional operating system, which they can use in one copy on their home computers. In addition, you can install this operating system on any or all of our laboratory computers. To do that, you need to follow the following steps:

- (1) You will need to operate from a computer with a reasonably high-speed internet access connection and a CD burner. If you do not have such facilities at home, then use a computer in one of the public-access labs on the second floor of the ISAT/CS building. These all have the required speed of connection as well as a CD burner.
- (2) Access the web page to login for the download at this URL: <u>https://msdn03.e-academy.com/jmu_cs/index.cfm?loc=login/login</u>
- (3) Log in using your JMU E-mail address. Your E-mail address should be of the form: "ID@jmu.edu" where ID is your first-six-letters-of-last-name-PLUS-first-and-middle-initials.
- (4) Note that the first time you log in, you will have to follow the procedure for "Forgot my password", which will result in your being issued a password. Once it is issued, you will be able to change it to whatever you like.
- (5) After your password is squared away, you should be able to follow the directions to download a ".exe" file, which eventually will get you a ".iso" file.
- (6) Use "EasyCD-Creator" on one of the computers in our public labs, or whatever utility you have on your home computer to generate a CD from the ".iso" file.
- (7) You can now load Windows-XP Professional onto any computers in the Computer Organization and Architecture laboratory, which is ISAT/CS Room 150, as well as one copy onto one computer of your own, subject to the license restrictions for your home computer that are specified and that you must agree to during the downloading procedure.