

University of Michigan.

Case Study

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University of Michigan College of Engineering deploys AppsAnywhere to over 1300 computers.

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Why Software2?





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Background

The University of Michigan Ann Arbor is a public institution that was founded in 1817. It was recently ranked #27 in the 2017 rankings of National Universities.

As one of the world's leading public universities, Michigan has 28,000 undergraduate and 15,000 graduate and professional students, from all 50 US states and 121 countries. Students can choose from over 240 undergraduate majors, over 90 Masters programs and over 100 doctoral programs.



Virtualizing 100% of Windows apps.

Like many university IT departments, Michigan's College of Engineering, supported by CAEN (the Computer Aided Engineering Network), was looking for an alternative solution for virtualizing apps, to replace their existing Microsoft App-V environment.

The University found that Microsoft App-V could only virtualize 40% of the CAEN engineering software library, due in part to the size and complexity of many of the engineering applications.

CAEN realized they needed a new solution that would be able to virtualize 100% of the 'tricky' engineering apps.

Choosing a solution.

AppsAnywhere enables secure, easy and instant access to apps. Once virtualized, applications perform exactly as if they were installed natively.

- Controls access to apps based on user roles
- Controls interactions between non-compatible
 apps
- Adding new apps on the client PC doesn't require admin privileges
- License restrictions and concurrency enforcement
- Eliminates the need for Sassafras Keyserver for software license management
- Usage Reporting

Trial results.



Don Lambert, manager of CAEN Student

Computing Environment, said:

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I'm very happy with our initial roll out of AppsAnywhere from Software2, to the College of Engineering computer labs. We learned a lot in our first semester.

For the Winter semester, we're partnering with ITS Sites to virtualize applications to the central campus computer in Angell Hall. When complete, this will provide engineering students an additional 170 computers that have access to over one hundred apps in the Engineering Software Library, including Unigraphics NX, TeamCenter, Solidworks, Abaqus, Aspen and Ansys.

Tony Austwick, Software2 co-founder, added:

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We're pleased by the results we've seen so far from the team at CAEN. Whilst there's still plenty more to do to ensure the project is successful, the fact that 95% of apps have been virtualized and on-demand is a great foundation.

A larger roll-out remains our aim. To achieve this with the University of Michigan would be great to all involved and reward for the hard work from the CAEN IT team.

About Software2.

We specialize in awesome solutions for software distribution and delivery, within the education sectors throughout the UK, Europe and North America.

By bringing AppsAnywherto universities and colleges, we've successfully enabled many institutions to realise their software deployment strategies, efficiently and cost-effectively.

We strive to provide customer service levels that are unparalleled. We work hard to make sure our customers get the maximum support from day one, and with our support team you can guarantee that you'll get a personal one-to-one service with all your queries.

