

# Enable Active Directory Advanced Features

## Topic

This article explains how to enable Active Directory Advanced features in Active Directory Users and Computer.

## Discussion

When advanced features are enabled in Active Directory Users and Computer (ADUC) you will have access to additional functionality in the snap-in. Two of the most useful functions available in advanced mode are the Object and Attribute Editor tabs. Further, the AD structure is hidden in basic mode. One of your most important containers, System, can only be seen when Advanced Features are turned on.

- To enable advanced functionality in Active Directory Users and Computers go to the View menu and select Advanced Features.
- To access the attribute editor right-click on an object, select **Properties** and you will see an additional **Attribute Editor** tab that shows the attributes that are not normally visible.\*

*\*The attribute editor is available in Windows Server 2008 R2 and above.*