

# Using the Control Panel Application

The Control Panel application is included with the multi-user version of OmniVista. This application enables you to monitor and manage user activity on the Network Management System (NMS).

The Control Panel application window is divided into two areas: **Users currently connected** and **Server Control**. See the illustration below.



## Users Currently Connected

The **Users currently connected** table shows a list of users currently logged into the NMS, as of the time you launched the Control Panel application. This list is updated automatically each time a new user logs into the NMS.

The **Applications** field includes the names of all the OmniVista applications currently open. Place the cursor in the **Applications** field to display a pop-up list of the applications. The **Login Server** field displays the remote or the local authentication server which is being used by the user.

## Logging Out Users

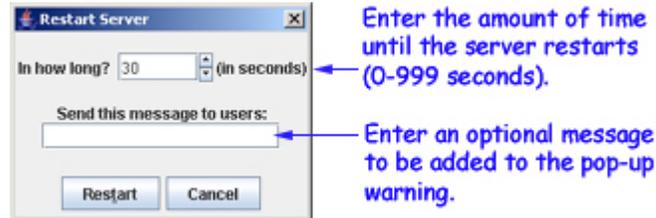
If needed, you can logout selected users from the NMS. This is useful when you need to do system maintenance, or when a certain user is consuming excessive resources on the server or may be connected but not actively working with the NMS.

To logout users, select one or more rows in the "Users currently connected table," click **Logout Selected Users**, then click **Yes** at the confirmation prompt. The NMS logs out the selected user(s), then notifies each user via a pop-up message.

## Restarting the Server

The Server Control area allows you to restart the server, if needed. A pop-up message will be sent to all connected users, alerting them that the server will restart in a specified number of seconds. Follow the steps below to restart the current server.

1. Click the **Restart** button. The **Restart Server** window appears.



2. Enter the number of seconds the user will have before the server restarts (valid entries are 0 to 999). You can also enter an optional message that will be added to the warning message displayed to all users logged into the server.

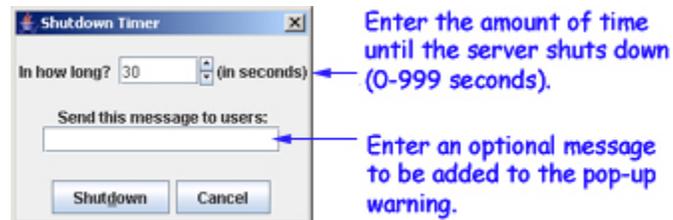
3. Click **Restart** to accept the timer setting and proceed with the server restart. All active users will receive a pop-up message alerting them that the server is due to restart in the specified amount of time (with the additional message, if entered). After that period of time has elapsed, any users who are still connected will be logged out and sent a notification message.

**Important:** As soon as you click **Restart**, the system begins to restart the server, after which time the action can no longer be canceled

## Shutting Down the Server

The Server Control area allows you to shut down the server, if needed. A pop-up message will be sent to all connected users, alerting them that the server will shut down in a specified number of seconds. Follow the steps below to shut down the current server.

1. Click the **Shutdown** button. The **Shutdown Timer** window appears.



2. Enter the number of seconds the user will have before the server shuts down (valid entries are 0 to 999). You can also enter an optional message that will be added to the warning message displayed to all users logged into the server.
3. Click **OK** to accept the timer setting and proceed with the server shutdown. All active users will receive a pop-up message alerting them that the server is due to shutdown in the specified amount of time (with the additional message, if entered). After that period of time has elapsed, any users who are still connected will be logged out and sent a notification message.

**Important Note:** As soon as you click **OK**, the system begins to shutdown the server, after which time the action can no longer be canceled.