

Using Multiple Signatures in Thunderbird Windows

This document will guide you through the process of downloading, installing and configuring an add-in program that allows Mozilla Thunderbird to switch between one or more signature files.

Download *Signature Switch*

1. Open your Internet browser program (Internet Explorer or Firefox) and enter the following address http://mozext.achimonline.de/signatureswitch_download.php (or click on the link at left).

2. Click on the link labeled **XPI-File**

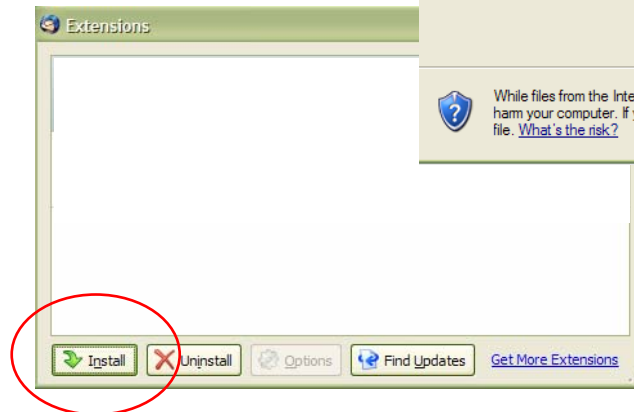
Click here to download the extension: **XPI-File**

3. Click to **Save** the file (see illustration at right)

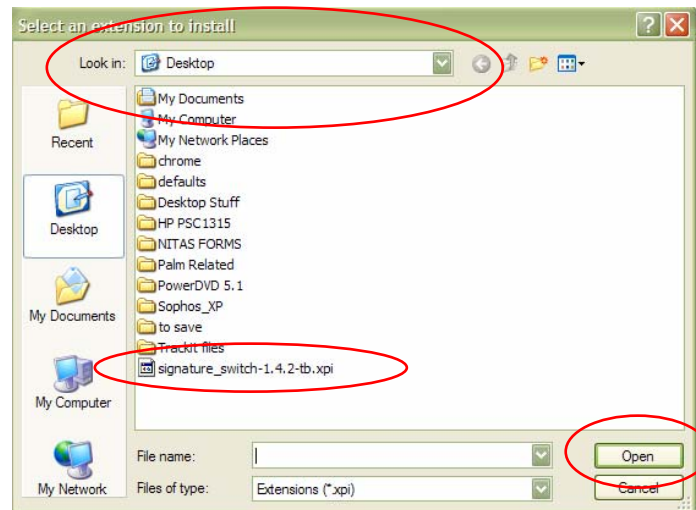


4. Open Thunderbird, if it is not already open. Click on the **Tools** menu and choose **Extensions**.

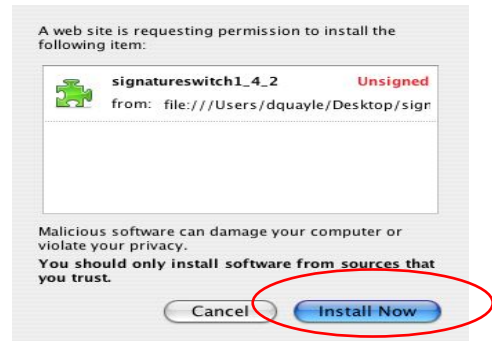
5. In the Extensions window, click on the **Install** button.



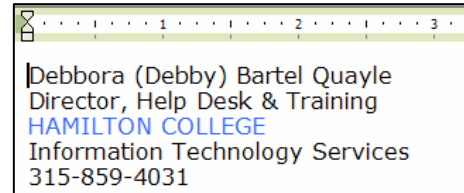
6. Navigate to the file you saved. It is called Signature_Switch1_4_2.xpi. In most cases, the file is probably on your Desktop (see illustration below). Click on the file name and then click on Open. If you have difficulty finding the file, please contact the ITS Help Desk (859-4181) or try using the Search or Find File program built-in to your operating system.



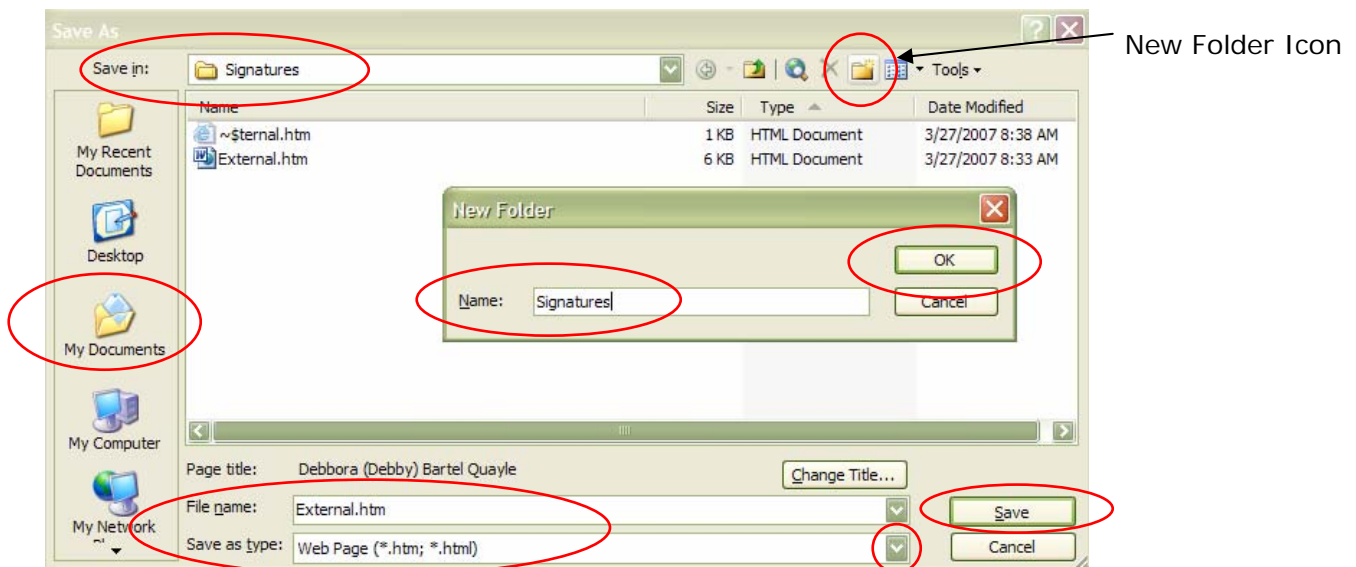
7. In the window that opens, click on **Install Now**.



8. Close the Extensions window. Close and re-launch Thunderbird to fully install the extension.
 9. Open **Microsoft Word**.
 10. In Word, open a new document and compose your signature the way you want it to appear.



11. Click on the File menu in Word and choose Save As...



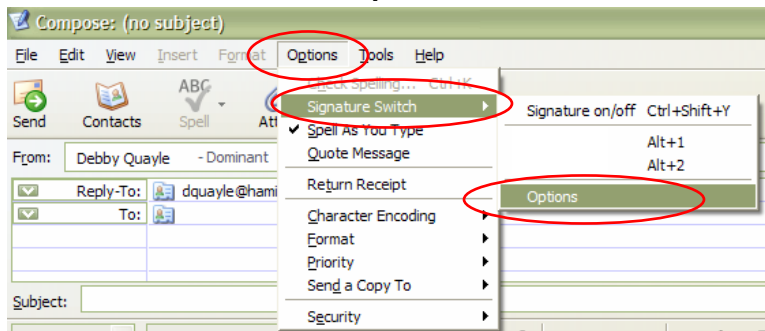
12. Saving your signature (see illustration above)
- Change the **"Save in:"** location to **My Documents** by clicking on the My Documents icon in the left side column.
 - Click on the New Folder icon to create a new folder called **Signatures**. Then click on **OK** (within the New Folder window). (**NOTE:** Skip this step if you already have such a folder.)
 - In the *File name:* field (at the bottom of the window), name your signature file something that will allow you to easily recognize it.
 - Click on the down arrow in the *Save as type:* field to choose **Web Page(*.htm;*.html)** and click on **Save**.

13. Repeat steps 10-12 to create additional signatures.

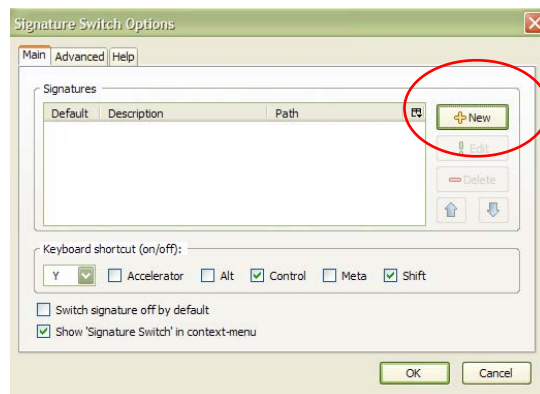
14. To add your signature file(s) to Signature Switch, open a new message window by clicking on the **Write** icon. Then, click on the **Options** menu (as shown below).



15. Select **Signature Switch** and then select **Options**.



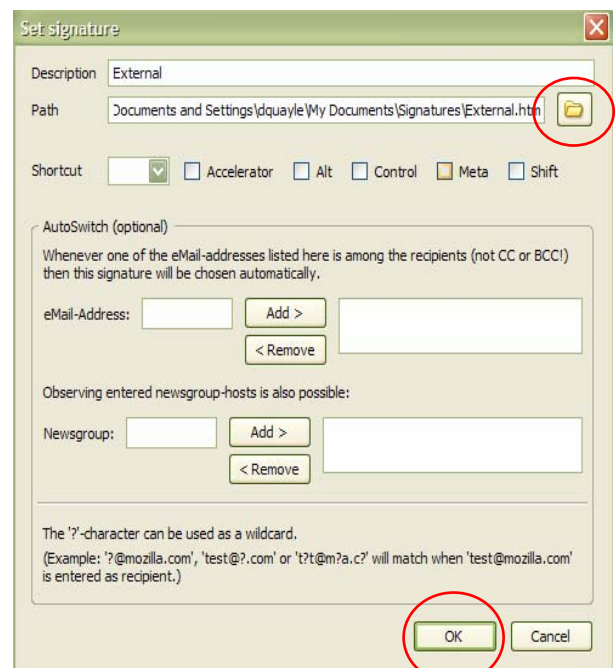
16. In the window that opens, click on **New**.



17. In the illustration to the right, type a name for the signature in the **Description** field.

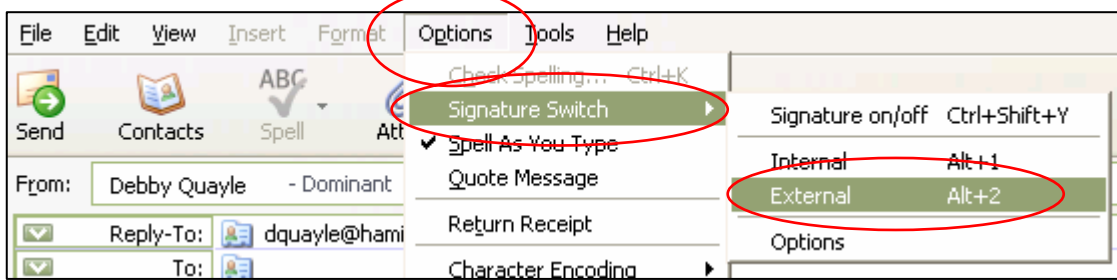
18. Click on the *path button*  to navigate to your "My Documents/Signatures" folder. See step 12 above. Click on the signature file and then click on **Open**. Then click on **OK**. The name you gave the signature should now appear in the Signature Switch Options list.

19. Repeat steps 16 – 18 to add additional signatures (if available).

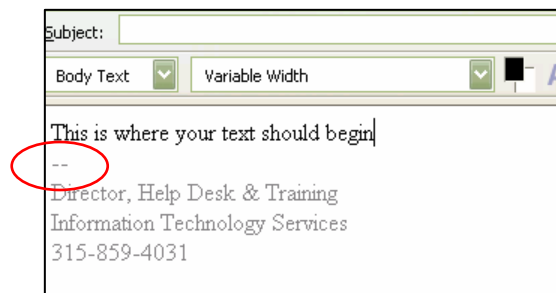


Using Signature Switch when composing a message

20. Open a new message window. Click on the **Options** menu, select **Signature Switch** and from there select the signature you wish to insert in that message.

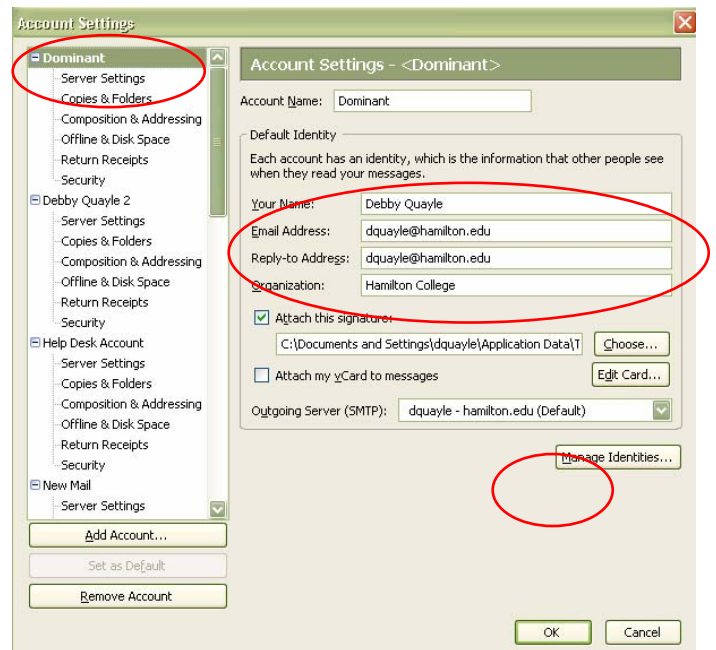


21. Your signature will appear in the body of your message. You should begin your message text *above* the dashed line.



22. **OPTIONAL:** If you prefer to have one of your signatures appear by default so that you can change it to another signature on an as needed basis, click on the **Tools** menu in Thunderbird and choose **Account Settings**.

- Choose the account for which you want to set the default signature. In the example at right, it is the Dominant account.
- Click in the checkbox labeled, "Attach this signature:" and then click on **Choose**.
- Using the steps outlined above in step 12, navigate to "My Documents" (Windows) where you created your "Signatures" folder. Locate the signature you want to use most of the time and click on the file name to select it. Then, click on **Open**.
- Click on **OK**.
- This signature will appear in all messages you compose. However, if you ever want to change it, simply use the steps outlined above in step 20.



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