

Copyrighted Materials

Policy 500-54

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POLICY PURPOSE:

The purpose of this document is to establish uniform policies and campus-wide procedures that assure campus compliance with all state and federal laws applying to copyrighted material. This policy applies to all copyrighted materials that use campus-computing or network resources in any way.

POLICY STATEMENT:

No copyrighted material may be copied, reproduced, republished, uploaded, posted, stored, transmitted, or distributed in any way, without explicit permission from the owner of the material, except as provided by the fair use provisions of the Digital Millennium Copyright Act. Modification or use of these materials for any purpose that is a violation of copyright and other proprietary rights is prohibited on any web site or on any network that uses campus resources to store or transmit such materials.

The University requires all users of its computing resources to obey all laws governing usage of intellectual property. Illegitimate electronic use of such property includes, but is not limited to:

- Reproduction of copyrighted materials, trademarks, or other protected material without express written permission from the material's owner.
- Distribution or duplication of copyrighted software without appropriate licensing agreements or use of software in a manner inconsistent with its license.
- Distribution or reproduction, in any digital form, of copyrighted music, video, or other multimedia content without the express written permission of the material's rightful owner.

APPLICABILITY AND AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY:

Each University College or other Administrative Unit must make reasonable efforts to ensure that its students, faculty, staff, and other individuals associated with it adhere to appropriate software licensing agreements, including those negotiated by individual Administrative Units for the University as a whole. Individual users should be made aware that illegally duplicating or distributing software is a felony in California.

Individual users are responsible to assure that their usage of CSUN computing resources are in compliance with all CSUN policies on copyrighted material.

RESOURCES AND REFERENCE MATERIALS:

[Digital Millennium Copyright Act](#)

[SOP ITIS 90-08-004 Information Security Incidence Response Procedures](#)

FURTHER INFORMATION:

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