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Overview

CNS is University of Florida Computing & Networking Services. We are located in the Bryant Space Sciences Research Building (SSRB) at the University of Florida.

Computing Services. CNS provides large-scale computing services for the University of Florida, University of North Florida, and for other state educational institutions and agencies in northern Florida. Our facilities are used for instructional, administrative, and research computing.

Network Services. In addition to fulfilling the traditional "data processing" roles of a large-scale centralized computing facility, CNS manages Internet and intranet services for UF, maintaining the campus network which connects the various buildings to each other and to the world-wide Internet.

E-mail. CNS's central servers provide e-mail service for all UF faculty, students, and staff, as part of the UF GatorLink system.

Dial-Up Access Services. Network Services provides dial-up access to the campus network and the Internet for those who have need of this service.

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Note

Users considering using the UF/CNS dial-up service should be aware that this service is under review, and may possibly be discontinued at or shortly after the end of calendar year 2006. For more information, please see Dr. Hoit's memo to Deans, Directors and Department Heads of 05/02/2006, titled Charging for UF Dialup Services [http://www.admin.ufl.edu/ddd/default.asp?doc=11.11.1920.1].

Security. Network Services also serves as the central network security office for UF, guarding against, and responding to, network-based threats to the computing and communications infrastructure of our user groups.

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Our Mission

CNS is a service organization whose mission and scope in a higher education environment is summarized as follows:

- Provide a full-service computer, networking, and information services center shared across a broad spectrum of user groups, which realizes economies of scale and precludes unnecessary duplication
- Accommodate rapidly changing technologies
- Provide services that cannot be cost-justified for individual groups or applications

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Our Function
Our function is to provide full-service academic and administrative computing to the Florida public universities, including the following agencies:

- University of Florida, including the Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences, and the J. Hillis Miller Health Science Center
- University of North Florida
- Florida Center for Library Automation
- Shands Hospital at UF
- Other Florida public universities
- Florida Board of Education
- Other Florida educational institutions and governmental agencies

**What We Provide**

- Hardware, software, data communications, and personnel resources to support batch, interactive, and distributed computing services
- Networking services to support and facilitate access to local area, state, national, and international networks (including Internet2)
- Numerically intensive computing services and training
- Technical consulting, local documentation, training, and other information resources
- Bulk data transfer services between microcomputers and the CNS host computers
- Facilities management to support distributed data processing
- Consulting services to assist in the acquisition of hardware, software, and related physical planning

**Your Comments are Welcome**

We welcome your comments and suggestions on this and all UFIT documentation. Please send your comments to:

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