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Copyright Policy & Materials Available on the Web


Training materials include an Anti-Piracy Poster that can be downloaded for further distribution. The Web package also contains:

- UF’s Policy on software copyright
- A guide to compliance with the policy for individuals and departments
- The text of the Florida Computer Crimes Act
- Educational materials for departments’ use to enhance the awareness of their faculty, staff and students regarding software copyright compliance
- A log sheet that can be downloaded, duplicated and distributed to document software installed on personal computers or workstations

Digital Millenium Copyright Act (DMCA)

Sharing copyrighted material is a UF policy violation and punishable by law under the Digital Millennium Copyright Act of 1998. After the IT security team receives DMCA complaints, these notices are passed along to the UF Student Judicial Affairs (SJA) office. SJA has the authority to take disciplinary action up to and including dismissal from the university and notification of law enforcement, which can potentially lead to lawsuits. To learn more about DMCA and UF policy regarding copyrighted material, visit http://www.it.ufl.edu/resources/copyright.

The UF Security Team is reaching out to various campus organizations to promote DMCA
awareness. To arrange for a speaker at your organization, contact Julia Emko at jvirn@ufl.edu or call 352-392-2061.

CNS Supports Software Copyright Protection Policies

CNS supports the software copyright protection policies of the institutions that use CNS services. Please check with your institution for specific policies and guidelines governing copyright compliance. At the University of Florida, all faculty, staff, and students are required and expected to obey the laws and legal agreements governing software use. Failure to do so can lead to monetary damages and/or criminal penalties for the individual violator. Because such violations are also against University policies and rules, disciplinary action will be taken as appropriate.

Your Comments are Welcome

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

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