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Responsible Use of Computing Services

Welcome to computing at UMass Dartmouth.

Since many people share the resources of the campus Network (UMDNet), University servers, and the CITS Public Access Microcomputer Clusters all users need to be aware of the policies for responsible use. Please familiarize yourself with the e-mail and account information below as well as the University of Massachusetts Data and Computing Policies and Guidelines for use of information technology by going to <http://www.umassp.edu/policy/#data>. Remember that observing these guidelines will help to make computing and use of the network services more pleasant for all users.

Server/E-Mail Accounts

The computing resources of the campus are provided to support academic and administrative users at UMass Dartmouth. All students, faculty and staff may obtain an e-mail account. Accounts on other servers are provided as needed.

Security

Be particularly careful of your password. Do not give your password to anyone or type your password when someone is watching. Once someone has your password it is possible both to look in your directory and to use your username for malicious purposes. You are responsible for all activities that take place from your account.

Although the University makes a reasonable effort to protect files stored on the university systems from being accessed by anyone other than authorized individuals, the University cannot guarantee the confidentiality of any of these files.

Privacy

The University systems record information about each user session. That information is limited to the username associated with the session, the login and logout dates and times, and the amount and kind of computer resources used during the session. This information is used only for abuse, security or technical management issues.

When the University has reasonable belief that system security has been compromised or it has been used for unauthorized activities, the University reserves the right to review the contents of all files stored on the system.

Remember that any printouts in public places are likely to be seen by others.

Computer Abuses

You can expect to lose your computer account, be disconnected from the network, and possibly be charged with a criminal offense for such computer abuses as:

- Unauthorized access of another person's computer account
- Using computing resources to access any other computer system (on or off-campus) without authorization
- Deleting or copying files from another person's computer account
- Taking advantage of another user's naivete to gain access to his/her files
- Preventing someone from using his/her account by changing the password or other tampering
- Sending offensive or harassing messages or repeated unsolicited mail
- Abusing the networks to which the University belongs
- Use of the computer or network for monetary gain or illegal activities
- Any activity that interferes with the rights of others
- Illegal use of copyrighted materials including MP3 files

Reports of abuses to your account can be made by contacting Computing and Information Technology Services at (508) 999-8532 or by sending e-mail to cit_oa@umassd.edu.

By signing this document, you agree to the above statements and policies.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Required Information

1. Print Name: _____
2. Campus Room #: _____
3. Contact #: _____
4. MAC Address: _____
5. Group Name: _____
6. Copy of Photo ID.
7. Signed *Responsible Use of Computing Services* Form.