

Acceptable Use Policy Information Technology

Purpose

Florida Southern College makes available to its community members computing and network resources, including shared information technology resources to deliver information. These resources are to be used in a manner consistent with College policy and the law.

Scope

The Acceptable Use Policy for Florida Southern College Information Technology applies to all active members of the College community, including faculty, students, staff, and affiliates, and to authorized visitors, guests, and others for whom College technology resources and network access are made available by the College. By accessing the FSC network users agree to abide by this policy.

A. POLICY STATEMENT

1. Institutional Use

Use of all College information technology and digital resources should be for purposes that are consistent with the non-profit educational mission and the policies and legal requirements (including license agreements and terms of service) of the College and not for commercial purposes and, if travel is involved, the laws of the relevant nation or state. These include for

example, the law on libel, privacy, copyright, trademark, obscenity, and child pornography, the Florida Computer Crimes Act (FL Statute Ch. 815), the Florida Security of Communications Statute (FL Statute Ch. 934), the Electronic Communications Privacy Act (18 U.S.C §§ 2510 et seq.), and the Computer Fraud and Abuse Act (18 U.S.C § 1030 et seq.) From any location, College resources may not be used to transmit malicious, harassing or defamatory content.

The following actions are considered unacceptable behavior:

- x Users may not participate in any malicious behavior that harms or interferes with others' use of resources.
- x Users may not use resources or information for commercial purposes without prior authorization.
- x Users may not disrupt or tamper with network equipment or services or tamper with software protections or restrictions.
- x Individual users are prohibited from mass emailing the entire campus community. Mass communications such as these are to be limited and must be approved by a Cabinet member and should be sent from a 'department' or 'department announcement' email account upon approval.

- x Accounts and passwords should not be shared or used by persons other than those to whom they have been assigned.
- x Users must refrain from speaking on behalf of the College without proper authorization to do so. This includes via email, phone,