

# Code of Computing Policy

The University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff is committed to a computing system, which effectively meets the needs of users. The University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff enhances teaching, research, service and activities, which support them, provides computing resources.

Individuals who are granted computing accounts or use computing resources at the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff accept responsibility with such access. Each user is expected to use accounts or resources within the University approved educational, research, or administrative purposes for which they are granted. Activities beyond these stated purposes are strictly prohibited.

A code of computing practices for the University is stated below. Violations of this code will be reviewed through established University judicial and administrative procedures. Actions to restrict computer usage may be challenged through the same procedures.

- General information about the University will be provided by University Relations and Public Relations.
- Information should not be contradictory or false.
- Information should not be duplicated.
- Users shall use only those computer accounts which have been authorized for their use and must identify computing work with their own names or other approved IDs so that responsibility for the work can be determined and users can be contacted in unusual situations, e.g. misplaced output
- Users are responsible for the user of their computer accounts. They should take advantage of system provided protection measures such as passwords, frequent change of those passwords, account logoff, and other precautions against other obtaining access to their computer resources.
- Users shall use accounts for the purposes originally agreed. This policy shall not prevent occasional and informal communication between students and faculty. Accounts shall not be used for private consulting or personal gain.
- Those users who have access to privileged or sensitive information may not disclose that information for any purpose other than official University business. Please refer to the Faculty/Staff Handbook.
- Users of computer software owned by the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff must agree to abide by limitations included in the copyright and license agreements entered into with vendors. Furthermore, it is the user's responsibility to become familiar with the specific copyright and licensing agreements for each product before using it. It is unlawful to copy most software products. If other arrangements are made with a vendor, users must abide by stated provisions.
- Users shall not attempt to access, copy, or destroy programs or files that belong to other users or the University without prior authorization. Programs, subroutines, and data provided by the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff may not be taken to other computer sites without authorization. Also, programs acquired at other computer sites must not be used at University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff unless they are public domain.

- Users shall not attempt to modify system facilities in any way. Intentional compromise of system integrity by virus or other means is a serious offense.
- Users shall not sabotage restrictions associated with their accounts.

The above list does not cover every situation that pertains to proper, improper, use of the computing resources at the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff, but it does suggest some of the responsibilities that you accept if you choose to use the University of Arkansas computing resource or the international network access that the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff provides. This code is to work for the benefit of all system users by encouraging responsible use of scarce computing resources.

**This policy is subject to change at any time. Occasional review is recommended.**

Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, 20 U.S.C. § 1232g;  
The Electronic Communications Privacy Act of 1986, 18 U.S.C. §§ 2510 et seq.;  
The Arkansas Freedom of Information Act, Ark. Code Ann. §§ 25-19-101 et seq.;  
State and federal computer fraud statutes, 18 U.S.C. § 1030 and  
Ark. Code Ann. §§ 5-41-101 to -1071

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