UNIVERSITY SENATE

UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY
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Introduced by: Council on Library, Information Systems and Computing (LISC)

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RESOLUTIOIN TO ADOPT A NEW RESPONSIBLE USE OF TECHNOLOGY POLICY

Whereas the Responsible Use of Technology policy had not been revised in more than a decade

Whereas the Chief Information Officer (CIO) has consistently solicited input from LISC and other University constituencies on revisions for the Responsible Use of Technology Policy

Whereas the LISC Information Technology Usage Policy Committee members made significant contributions to the proposed policy

Whereas, though there is some concern regarding the lack of specific language in the policy indicating that the policy be subject to review by LISC, the Senate expects that LISC and appropriate committee members would be consulted on any policy revisions in the future

Therefore be it resolved that the University Senate supports the adoption of the new Responsible Use of Technology Policy being put forth by the CIO's office and urges the University President to adopt the policy as written

Supplemental Information:

In 2000 the original version of the Responsible Use of Technology Policy was written by LISC and its committees and approved by LISC and the University Senate.

With the hiring of a CIO in 2001 policy-making responsibility has been centered in CIO Haile's office but input and advice continues to be sought from LISC.

In the 2011-2012 academic year, Christine Haile, the CIO, sought and received significant input on this policy from LISC. Members of the Information Technology Policy Committee, who worked on the policy, believe that their input was taken seriously, and is reflected in the revised version of the policy.

Over the past year there has been considerable debate in LISC over whether the policy is required to be approved by LISC and/or the Faculty Senate. The Information Technology Policy Committee of 2011-2012 had advocated adding language to the policy requiring their approval. University Counsel recommended against including language to that effect.