

Regulations for Using Academic Computing Facilities and Resources

The primary function of the Department of Academic Computing is to provide computing resources and user support for instructional activities at the UHD. All users of academic computing facilities and resources are subject to the following regulations: UHD students, faculty and staff are eligible to use academic computing facilities and resources.

- Lab users are expected to conduct themselves in a responsible and courteous manner while in the Academic Computing Lab.
- Computing accounts are for use only by the person to whom the account has been issued by authorized computing personnel. A user may not disclose his/her password or allow other users to access his/her account.
- Computers and resources in academic computing facilities are to be used for University-related purposes. They are not to be used for business or other profit-producing endeavors or for recreational purposes. Games are prohibited on all Academic Computing resources. This restriction does not apply to games and simulations used in conjunction with academic courses or research.
- Compromising the security of any computer or network or using University computing resources to engage in any illegal activity is strictly prohibited.
- Each user is fully responsible for the activity of any account that has been assigned to him/her. If a user suspects that another user has accessed his/her account, Manager of IT Lab Services should be notified immediately.
- Any changes to student accounts or access to any system must be requested by the respective faculty member.
- Users may not write, use or have possession of programs that may be used to intimidate, harass, create an offensive environment for or invade the privacy of other users.
- Users shall not represent themselves electronically as others.
- Users shall not obstruct or disrupt the use of any computing system or network by another person or entity either on the UHD campus or elsewhere.
- Users shall not, by any means, attempt to infiltrate a computing system or network either on the UHD campus or elsewhere.
- All users of UHD's external network connections shall comply with the evolving "Acceptable Use" policies established by the external networks' governing bodies. Copies of policies relating to commonly accessed external networks will be made available in the Academic Computing Lab.
- Copying of copyrighted software is illegal and is prohibited in the Academic Computing facilities or elsewhere on campus.
- The UHD forbids, under any circumstances, the unauthorized reproduction of software or use of illegally obtained software. Using University equipment to make illegal copies of software is prohibited.
- Lab users may bring licensed personal copies of software into the Academic Computing facilities but may not install software on any computer or network or alter any existing software. Proof of ownership may be requested of users who bring software into the facilities.
- Users should not attempt to repair any malfunctioning equipment or software, but should report any such occurrences to academic computing personnel.
- Smoking, eating or drinking is not permitted in academic computing facilities.
- Reservations for general lab use are not normally required; however, a temporary reservation system will be adopted as needed.
- Although Academic Computing will make efforts to provide a safe and problem-free computing environment, in no event will the University or the Department of Academic Computing be liable for loss of data, inconvenience, or other tangible or perceived damage resulting from or relating to system failures, viruses, user negligence, or other occurrences.
- Academic Computing reserves the right to amend