

TECHNOLOGY RELATED HEOA COMPLIANCE

The Higher Education Opportunity Act of 2008 (HEOA) includes three requirements for addressing illegal peer-to-peer file sharing of copyrighted material by those using campus networks. Southwestern Oregon Community College will be required to 1) inform students annually they may be subject to criminal and civil penalties if they engage in illegal distribution of copyrighted materials and describe the steps being taken to detect and punish such activity, 2) certify to the Secretary of Education that the institution has plans to effectively combat unauthorized distribution of copyrighted material, and 3) offer alternatives to illegal file sharing.

Southwestern Oregon Community College complies with these requirements as follows:

- Publishes warnings online, in print, and in presentations that students who violate copyright laws may be subject to disciplinary action by the College as well as prosecution under state and federal guidelines.
- Our Student Housing team annually discloses this information to students through distribution of a brochure that defines copyright law, details College rules for file sharing, and lists legal alternatives for acquiring copyrighted materials.
- The Student Handbook clearly addresses file sharing and copyright use.
- Integrated Technology Services monitors network activity and utilizes network traffic shaping and appliances specifically for stopping illegal file sharing and copyright use to certify to the Secretary of Education that we effectively combat illegal file sharing at Southwestern Oregon Community College.

Campus Resources and Communications:

- [APP 5059 Acceptable Use of Information Technology Resources](#)

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PENDING APPROVAL