

Adopted: February 13, 2001

**ACADEMIC SENATE  
Of  
CALIFORNIA POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY  
San Luis Obispo, CA**

**AS-554-01/IACC  
RESOLUTION ON INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES  
RESPONSIBLE USE POLICY**

- 1 WHEREAS, Information technology resources are a finite shared resource provided to students, faculty, and  
2 staff to support Cal Poly's mission of education, research, and service; and  
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4 WHEREAS, The University is accountable for ensuring that its resources are used responsibly; and  
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6 WHEREAS, A clear and comprehensive policy is needed to inform the campus community about appropriate  
7 use and to enable the University to act when misuses occur; and  
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9 WHEREAS, An interim policy has been in effect since the start of Fall Quarter 2000 and is posted on the Cal  
10 Poly web site at <http://its.calpoly.edu/Policies/RUP-INT/>; and  
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12 WHEREAS, The policy incorporates existing University, CSU, and state policies as well as federal and state  
13 laws, reflects best practices from other universities, and provides specific examples of appropriate  
14 and inappropriate uses; and  
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16 WHEREAS, The policy recognizes and respects academic freedom, freedom of expression, and the right to  
17 privacy of individual users wherever possible; and  
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19 WHEREAS, The policy uses established University processes to address alleged violations by Cal Poly  
20 students, faculty, and staff; and will be reviewed and updated at least annually to reflect changes in  
21 policy, the law, and technology; and  
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23 WHEREAS, Endorsement of the Responsible Use Policy does not imply endorsement by the Academic Senate  
24 of other policies referenced therein; and  
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26 WHEREAS, Information Technology Services will consult with the Academic Senate and other campus  
27 constituent groups on substantive changes to this policy and on the development of related  
28 information technology policies and practices; and  
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30 WHEREAS, The Instructional Advisory Committee on Computing (IACC), Administrative Advisory  
31 Committee on Computing (AACC), and Information Resources Management Policy and Planning  
32 Committee (IRMPPC) have endorsed the policy and recommended that it be adopted and  
33 implemented by the University; therefore, be it  
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35 RESOLVED: That the Academic Senate endorse the Information Technology Resources Responsible Use Policy  
36 and recommend that it be adopted and implemented by the University; and be it further  
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38 RESOLVED: Modifications and/or updates to the Responsible Use Policy (RUP) be brought before the  
39 Instructional Advisory Committee on Computing (IACC) and the Academic Senate be informed of  
40 all approved changes to the RUP.

Proposed by: Instructional Advisory Committee on Computing (IACC)  
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