

Cal Poly Pomona, College of Agriculture Appropriate Use Policy for Information Technology

Cal Poly Pomona, College of Agriculture offers students and employees (hereinafter referred to as user) School-wide Internet access and email services. Users may access the vast resources of the Internet and communicate via email from any workstation in the computer labs and where there is wireless access.

The purpose of this document is to articulate Cal Poly Pomona, College of Agriculture's Internet access expectations and to state and obtain a user's agreement to comply with the **Cal Poly Pomona, College of Agriculture Appropriate Use Policy (AUP)**.

The User Agrees to the Following Terms and Conditions

The user agrees to act responsibly and with good behavior on any computer or communications system using Cal Poly Pomona, College of Agriculture's wired or wireless network services. The user agrees to follow all College rules for behavior and communications. Access is a privilege-not a right.

The Internet is provided for users to conduct research and communicate with others related to College business.

The user agrees to abide by the generally accepted rules of "netiquette" and conduct himself/herself in a responsible, ethical, and polite manner while using any Cal Poly Pomona, College of Agriculture computing and communication resource.

The user agrees not to use the computing resources for commercial purposes, product advertising, political lobbying, or political campaigning.

The user agrees not to transmit, receive, submit, or publish any defamatory, inaccurate, abusive, obscene, profane, sexually oriented, threatening, offensive, or illegal material.

The user agrees NOT to install or use ANY software on Cal Poly Pomona, College of Agriculture computers including, but not limited to, games, chat clients, email clients, instant messaging, and other non-authorized applications or utilities, without the expressed permission of the College of Agriculture.

The user agrees not to tamper with or attempt to illegally access or "hack" any Cal Poly Pomona, College of Agriculture computer resources. Intentional damaging of computers or computer networks will not be tolerated. The intentional creation or spreading of a computer virus will not be tolerated.

The user agrees to abide by all patent, trademark, trade name, and copyright laws. Plagiarism in any form will not be tolerated. All sources must be cited.

Cal Poly Pomona, College of Agriculture makes no warranties of any kind, whether expressed or implied, for the supervision and service it is providing. The user agrees that Cal Poly Pomona, College of Agriculture assumes no responsibility or liability for any loss of data resulting from delays, non-deliveries, mis-deliveries, or service interruptions caused by its own negligence or user errors or omissions. Use of any information obtained via the Internet is at the user's own risk. Cal Poly Pomona, College of Agriculture specifically denies any responsibility for the accuracy or quality of information obtained through its services.

All communication and information accessible via the computer resources shall NOT be regarded as private. The user agrees and consents to allow Cal Poly Pomona, College of Agriculture IT personnel to review any and all files, data and messages to ensure that users are using the system responsibly at any time with or without notice.

Only computing devices such as desktops, laptops, Tablet PCs and PDAs issued by the College/University are allowed to use the school's wired network infrastructure for Internet access or any other network service. Computing devices that are NOT College property are prohibited from attaching to the University's network using Cal Poly Pomona, College of Agriculture's wired infrastructure.

Any violation of the Appropriate Use Policy will result in disciplinary action. Such action might include suspension or revocation of Internet privileges and/or legal action. Users are subject to all local, state, and federal laws and understand that illegal activities may be reported to the appropriate law enforcement authorities. The user agrees to report any violation of the AUP observed by the user to Cal Poly Pomona, College of Agriculture's IT staff immediately.