COPYRIGHT POLICY

Policy Statement

The University of Southern Mississippi Libraries has established guidelines on copyright in the use of resources it provides.

Reason for Policy/Purpose

This policy is required for the effective communication of university policy regarding copyright of resources provided by University Libraries for scholarly research, instruction, and non-profit educational use.

Who Needs to Know This Policy

All patrons of the University Libraries.

Website Address for this Policy

www.usm.edu/institutional-policies/policy-acaf-lib-011

Definitions

Policy/Procedures

The University of Southern Mississippi Libraries provide access to paper and electronic resources for scholarly research, instruction, and non-profit educational use. The University Libraries observe all applicable copyright law in providing these resources to their users and expect that these users will abide by the copyright terms and conditions of each resource.
The University Libraries do not condone unauthorized use of copyrighted materials such as excessive photocopying of print material or downloading, uploading or sharing of music or video files from the University Libraries' computers.

**Review**

The Dean of University Libraries is responsible for the review of this policy every four years (or whenever circumstances require immediate review).

**Forms/Instructions**

N/A

**Appendices**

N/A

**Related Information**

N/A

**History**

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Authorization

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As the Responsible Officer, I have reviewed this policy and believe it represents the current policy.

[Signature]
Responsible Officer

4/30/13
Date