

# BOSTON COLLEGE

## Copyright Compliance Policy

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including art, music, written distribution of any material created by anyone other than yourself may constitute copyright infringement which is a violation of federal law and University policy. These prohibited activities, inc holder permission, whether through peer-to-peer programs (uploading or downloading) or other

### Boston College's Technology Policy

with copyright laws and the provisions of licensing agreements that apply to software. In addition, all system users agree in the Boston College Technical and Information Resources Use Agreement to comply with copyright law.

The University imposes significant penalties for infringement activities including university probation and loss of network access. In addition, under the Copyright Act, anyone infringing a copyrighted work is liable for civil damages and, if willful, criminal

infringer may also be subject to criminal penalties, including fines and imprisonment. For significant offenses, these penalties include up to a five-year federal prison term and a fine of \$250,000. Prohibited activities include using the Boston College network or software without copyright holder permission.

In recent years, associations

the Music Download Association of America, and they consist of a large number of artists and record companies. Boston College has received numerous letters from these organizations regarding alleged infringement of their members' through peer file-sharing on Boston College's