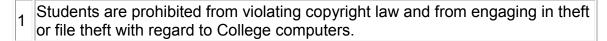# Helena College Acceptable Use Policy

As an institution of higher education, Helena College University of Montana endeavors to develop resources and provide services that meet its students' educational needs. It is within this context that the College provides students with access to computers, along with access to a wide variety of online material.

Students may find some of the material available online to be inaccurate, incomplete, or outdated; they may find other material sexually explicit or offensive. Helena College does not guide, monitor, or censor students' computer research. The College does, however, restrict the use of computers, computer files, or network resources in the following ways:

1	Students are prohibited from violating copyright law and from engaging in theft or file theft with regard to College computers.
2	Students may not use College computers to violate others' privacy, to harass or intimidate others, to send abusive or patently offensive and unwanted material to others, or to interfere with the work of others. As students distribute or make material available to others, they need to be aware of people's sensitivities toward information or graphics that may seem offensive.
3	Students may not deliberately crash, or otherwise impair workstations or computer systems at the College, modify files without authorization, damage files, alter data, introduce viruses, penetrate or harm operating systems, resell bandwidth, or engage in any other illegal acts promulgated from or targeting the College's computers.
4	Students are prohibited from concealing or misrepresenting their names or affiliations to mask irresponsible, offensive, or illegal behavior.
5	Students are prohibited from sharing their username and password with other students or family members.

Misuse of computer or network resources may constitute trespass, disruptive behavior, or sexual harassment and will not be tolerated by Helena College. Failure to comply with these guidelines may result in loss of electronic access, expulsion from a course or the College, and/or legal prosecution.