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To: All new students in the Faculty of Science

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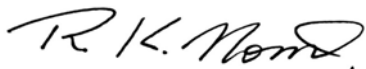
Faculty of Science: Internet Use Policy

I wish to draw your attention to the Faculty of Science policy on the use of the Internet by it's students. This policy is displayed in all Faculty computing laboratories and is set out in full on the reverse side of this page. Please read it carefully.

I draw your attention particularly to the likelihood of formal disciplinary action in the event of excessive or inappropriate use of your Monash internet account.

You can check your internet usage by accessing the billing tool at: <http://mib.its.monash.edu.au/>

You should note that the Faculty policy is to be read and applied in conjunction with Monash University's policy on "Acceptable use of information technology by students".
(See: <http://www.policy.monash.edu/policy-bank/management/its/acceptable-use-of-information-technology-facilities-by-students-policy.html>).



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Student Internet Use Policy

During your studies you will be expected to make **reasonable use** of the internet for academic and research purposes and to facilitate communications with academic staff and other students. The Faculty of Science pays for this access as part of your educational program as is done for other resources you use, in laboratories for example. 'Reasonable use' in this context includes both the type and quantity of material that is downloaded from external sources over the Internet. From time to time, the Faculty will determine a definition of 'reasonable use' for the purposes of this Policy and publish that definition at <http://www.sci.monash.edu.au/policies/ITpolicies.html> .

All Internet transactions are recorded and can be traced to a particular username. For this reason you must keep your username and password secure. If you have reason to believe that others may have obtained and could be using your username then you must report it immediately.

In particular, Internet use that is not directly related to your studies, **including** but not limited to the following, is **not permitted**:

- peer to peer filesharing, which includes downloading or using BitTorrent, Kazaa etc;
- downloading or exchanging audio and video files including MP3 files and other similar files;
- streaming (listening or watching) video and audio in real-time including Internet "radio/television" stations or music sites;
- downloading entire WWW/FTP external sites or significant parts of such sites particularly those including images and games programs, unless the material is specifically relevant to your course of study;
- playing any form of game over the Internet;
- intentionally accessing any site containing pornographic material.

In some cases the formal requirements of your studies may require you to access types of material that are not normally permitted or to download a significant quantity of material over the Internet. In those cases you must obtain written approval **signed** by your supervisor or lecturer **before** proceeding and this approval **must be forwarded to the Faculty Finance & Resources Manager at the Faculty of Science Office at Clayton**. The cost of that access may be recovered from the appropriate project or grant account in your School or teaching area.

Costs associated with Internet access that breaches this Policy will be charged to you. Breaches of the Policy may also result in you being charged with general misconduct under Monash University Statute 4.1 – Discipline.

This Policy should be read in conjunction with the University's "Acceptable use of information technology facilities by students" policy at

<http://www.policy.monash.edu/policy-bank/management/its/acceptable-use-of-information-technology-facilities-by-students-policy.html>

and the Monash University Statute 4.1 - Discipline at

<http://www.monash.edu.au/pubs/calendar/statutes/statute04.html>

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