Faculty and Administration Network Connectivity Policy

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Preamble

Complex networking environments with multiple constituencies that span across a metropolitan area require strong oversight to ensure the delivery of education and the operations of the institution are reliable and efficient. To that end, the faculty, staff and administration network is more tightly governed than the student and WIFI networks. Connections to the hard-wired network infrastructure are limited to University owned equipment which meet the University’s hardware standard and which are properly configured with the University’s virus protection system and updated daily for all virus and security patches.

Installation of any equipment on the network should be formally requested through the [http://hd.udmercy.edu](http://hd.udmercy.edu) system two weeks prior to use.

Please note: equipment acquired under special circumstances such as grants, donations, etc. is subject to meet the University’s standards prior to connectivity. Not all donations are officially accepted.

Policy

Any system unfairly using available bandwidth whether deliberately or otherwise will be immediately disconnected from the network without notice.

Any system using available bandwidth for illegal or improper activities detected will be immediately disconnected from the network without notice.

Under no circumstances is non-University equipment connected to the network.

Regulations

The University reserves the right to refuse connectivity to users who violate this policy. In most instances the disconnection will remain in place until the infraction has been cleared.
Repeated offenders may be subject to permanent disconnection.