



Internet Policy



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2. Using abusive or harassing language;
3. Misrepresenting oneself or the staff;
4. Sending chain letters or overly broad mass mailings or postings;
5. Activities that could cause congestion and disruption of networks and systems;
6. Activities that embarrass, denigrate, or libel an individual or organization;
7. Activities that imply University endorsement of any commercial products;
8. Viewing pictures of an erotic or sexual nature when such images are able to be viewed by others who are offended by them.

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