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**Re: Systemwide Review of Revised Presidential Policy on Electronic Information Security (IS-3)**

Dear Colleagues:

Enclosed for systemwide review are drafts of a revised presidential policy, “Electronic Information Security” (IS-3), and a corresponding glossary for all information security and information technology policies.

The policy provides a security framework that protects UC’s Institutional Information and IT Resources from accidental or intentional unauthorized access, loss or damage, while preserving UC’s collaborative academic culture. The policy is critically important for maintaining faculty research funding from certain federal sources that deal with Controlled Unclassified Information (CUI). The Department of Education has also urged compliance with new, higher standards for processing federally funded student aid. You may refer to the policy summary below and the attached 2-page policy abstract for additional background and information.

**Systemwide Review**

Systemwide Review is a process during which the draft policy is distributed to the Chancellors, the Director of the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, the Chair of the Academic Council, and the Vice President of Agriculture and Natural Resources, requesting that they inform the general University community, affected employees, and union membership about policy proposals. Systemwide Review also includes a mandatory, 90-day review by the full Academic Senate. Employees should be afforded the opportunity to review and comment on the draft policy. A model communication follows that can be used to inform non-exclusively represented employees about this proposal. The Labor Relations Office at the Office of the President is responsible for informing the bargaining units representing union membership about policy proposals.

We would appreciate receiving your comments on the policy and glossary drafts by **July 30, 2017**. Please submit your comments and questions to Systemwide IT Policy Director Robert Smith at [robert.smith@ucop.edu](mailto:robert.smith@ucop.edu), and indicate “Electronic Information Security Policy” in the subject line.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tom Andriola".

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## **Electronic Information Security Policy Model Communication**

The Office of the Vice President and Chief Information Officer invites comments on drafts of a presidential policy, “Electronic Information Security” (IS-3), and a corresponding glossary for all information security and information technology policies.

The policy provides a security framework that protects UC’s Institutional Information and IT Resources from accidental or intentional unauthorized access, loss or damage, while preserving UC’s collaborative academic culture. It is modeled on a recognized set of best practices and security controls from the International Organization for Standardization (ISO). Use of a standards-based approach is crucial for UC to obtain cybersecurity insurance, take advantage of vendor services based on these standards, and ensure faculty eligibility for certain federal research contracts that deal with Controlled Unclassified Information (CUI).

We recommend the following order of review:

1. Policy Abstract
2. Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)
3. Draft Glossary for Information Security and Information Technology policies (optional)
4. Draft Presidential policy on Electronic Information Security, IS-3

A systemwide website also provides resources to support reviewers and eventual adoption of the policy:

<https://security.ucop.edu/index.html>

If you have any questions or wish to comment, please contact [[person at the location](#)] no later than [[a date the location sets before 7/30/17.](#)]. [[person at the location](#)] can be reached at [[\\_\\_\\_\\_\\_](#) @ [\\_\\_\\_\\_\\_](#).edu]. Please indicate “Electronic Information Security Policy” in the subject line.

## SUMMARY OF ELECTRONIC INFORMATION SECURITY POLICY

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### Background

Business and Finance Bulletin “Electronic Information Security” (IS-3) is the UC policy governing electronic information security.

The UC IT Leadership Council, composed of chief information officers (CIOs) from all UC Locations, charged the UC chief information security officers (CISOs) with revising the policy for two primary reasons:

1. The information security landscape has experienced major shifts including security events impacting UC, changes in regulatory approaches, new laws, expected minimum security requirements and changes in federal requirements for research contracts critical to faculty. The policy needs to evolve to reflect these shifts.
2. The UC system needs a more consistent approach to information security. The current published version of IS-3 requires campuses to develop their own policies using the guidelines in IS-3. This has resulted in varying interpretations of, and approaches to cybersecurity. In today’s collaborative environment UC needs a coherent policy approach to support the mission.

### Drafters of the Electronic Information Security Policy

The enclosed draft revision of IS-3 was developed by a systemwide working group chaired by Robert Smith and composed of location CISOs as well as additional technical and non-technical staff from UC locations. The UC Cyber-risk Governance Committee, Academic Senate representatives and members of the UC IT Leadership Council provided input on earlier drafts. The policy was also circulated for management consultation in early 2017, and the resulting feedback was incorporated into this version where applicable.

### Policy Revision

The policy aims to set a minimum security baseline and is modeled on a recognized set of best practices and security controls from the International Organization for Standardization (ISO). Use of a standards-based approach is crucial for UC to obtain cybersecurity insurance, take advantage of vendor services based on these standards, and ensure faculty eligibility for federal research contracts that deal with Controlled Unclassified Information (CUI).

Locations will control policy implementation to accomplish their cyber-risk objectives. The policy includes a local exception process and gives local CIOs and CISOs flexibility to meet the needs of their Locations.

### Review Timeline

You are reviewing the revised draft Electronic Information Security Policy as part of the 90-day systemwide review. Once the review period is complete and comments have been addressed, the proposed policy will be presented to UCOP’s Policy Advisory and Policy Steering Committees before the President is asked to sign it.

### Additional Resources:

- <https://security.ucop.edu/guides/index.html>
- Policy abstract (attached)
- IS-3 FAQ (attached)

### Contact for Questions

If you have any questions or wish to comment, please contact Systemwide IT Policy Director Robert Smith no later than July 30, 2017. Robert can be reached at [robert.smith@ucop.edu](mailto:robert.smith@ucop.edu) and at 510-587-6244. Please indicate “Electronic Information Security Policy” in the subject line. You may also wish to contact your local CISO regarding this policy or electronic information security in general.

### *Information security landscape*

UC is a target. Cyber bad actors target our university for many reasons. They steal electronic deposits, credit cards, identities, medical records and research. They encrypt files hoping to get paid a ransom. They gather human intelligence. Regardless of the type of threat, the public and UC community trust our policies and procedures to protect their data and privacy.

Government expects UC to practice sound security methods in all that we do. The California legislature, California Attorney General, Office of Civil Rights, Department of Education, Department of Energy and Department of Defense all have one thing in common. They are raising the bar for information security, and UC must meet it.

The Department of Education is also moving to require a higher level of information security. Beginning December 2017, many faculty research contracts with the department of defense will include new, more stringent requirements (DFARS 252.204-7008(c)(1), NIST 800-171). IS-3 must be revised to meet these new requirements.

At the same time, we're becoming more collaborative across the UC system and with other researchers from around the globe. UC requires a uniform approach to information security that can work across the university system, support UC's mission, and meet the expectations and requirements of the public and UC's partners. IS-3 was drafted with systemwide collaboration to meet the challenge of remaining both a trusted holder of information and a premier open research university.

The new version of IS-3 aligns with many key initiatives already under way. These include systemwide cybersecurity governance, cyber risk management, the escalation protocol and collaborating across locations.

### *Local control*

The new version of IS-3 puts each location in charge of risk management, risk trade-offs and the exception process. Each location has a Cyber-risk Responsible Executive (CRE) who will balance local needs, risk tolerances, budget and implementation of policy requirements.

### *Easing adoption*

The old version of IS-3 requires each campus to develop policies following guidance. This approach led to inconsistent adoption and makes it hard to answer the question: "What do I need to do?" The new IS-3 is a single policy that was developed to work across the system. This approach allows us to develop guides to help specific roles answer that question. These are published on the website on the [guide page](#). They provide an overlay to the policy, helping to guide staff and faculty to the most important policy provisions.

The policy creates a pre-approved risk treatment plan that's scalable and easy to adopt. This template-based approach allows for quick and scalable handling of routine scenarios and allows us to focus our scarce resources on higher-risk areas (Section III, Subsection 6.1.)

### *Standards-based approach*

IS-3 uses an accepted standard as the basis for security controls. The standards are ISO 27001 and 27002. IS-3 used a subset of the controls that fit UC's mission of research, teaching and public service.

The policy also considers the requirements of HIPAA, the Payment Card Industry (PCI) and other state and federal regulations. These include requirements needed to qualify for certain grants that are essential to UC research funding (NIST 800-171). This approach has many benefits, including lower-cost engagement with vendors, vendor product support, alignment with cyber insurance carriers and alignment with regulations.

### *New roles*

**Unit Head:** A generic term for Dean, Vice Chancellor or similarly senior role who has the authority to allocate budget and is responsible for Unit performance. At a particular location or in a specific situation the following senior roles may also be Unit Heads: department chairs, assistant/associate vice chancellor (AVC), principal investigators, directors or senior managers.

**Unit Information Security Lead:** A term for the Workforce Member(s) assigned responsibility for tactical execution of information security activities including, but not limited to: implementing security controls;

reviewing and updating Risk Assessment and Risk Treatment plans; devising procedures for the proper handling, storing and disposing of electronic media within the Unit; and reviewing access rights.

**Service Provider:** A UC internal organization that offers IT services to Units. Identifying this role allowed the policy to clarify accountability and ease adoption through clear responsibility assignment.

### *IS-3 outline*

The policy has five key goals focused on the mission of the university. Unit Heads are responsible for planning and implementing information security risk management. The policy text is in Section III. Subsections 1 to 6 outline the overall governance, security management, risk management and planning processes. Subsection 7 specifies the requirements for recruiting and managing the workforce. Subsection 8 deals with the classification of electronic institutional information and IT Resources. Subsections 9 to 18 deal with specific controls and requirements, covering key topics like encryption, logging, access controls and supplier controls. They are scoped based on availability needs, protection requirements and risk.

A separate glossary defines key terms and gives examples to help illustrate the definitions. The most important terms have summary definitions in Section III.

### *Security Management Program principles*

UC is adopting five key principles in developing electronic information security programs:

1. A goal-based approach is best.
2. Units are accountable for driving information security.
3. Decision-making rights correspond to risk level.
4. Security is a shared responsibility.
5. Security is embedded into the entire lifecycle.

### *Information classification*

UC's electronic information now has four protection levels. The first level, P1, is public information. Here UC's concerns relate to integrity and availability. The next level is P2, where we find information that UC does not to intend to be public. At P2 we start to become concerned with confidentiality, ensuring only those who are intended to access the information can do so. At P3, we are very concerned with confidentiality. P3 information includes student educational records and staff records. At P4, the highest level, UC has a statutory or contractual obligation to protect the data with the highest level of care. (Section 3, Subsection 8.2.)

The policy has a special classification called Critical IT Infrastructure. These systems have a shared fate. They contain information or provide access that, if compromised, would give the attacker broad access across multiple systems and information classifications types. Think of these systems as "keys to the castle." (Section III, Subsection 6.1.2.)

### *Risk-based approach*

A risk-based approach is applied throughout the policy. This approach helps guide decisions on allocation of resources by evaluating the risk, the costs of addressing those risks, and the benefits of addressing the risks. The risk-based approach is a cornerstone to scoping controls and making intelligent investment decisions.

### *Other changes*

The new IS-3 simplifies electronic information security at UC. It replaces the existing IS-3 and retires two other policies: IS-2 Inventory, Classification, and Release of University Electronic Information; and IS-10, Systems Development Standards.

The policy also formalizes the method of adoption for systemwide electronic information security standards (procedures). Consultation with the Academic Senate's UC Academic Computing Committee is now a required step in the process. This change integrates faculty into the governance process. (Section III, Subsection 2.3 Standards.)

## IS-3 Reviewer FAQs

Questions about IS-3 developed during management consultation and early outreach

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### **1. Will end users be able to easily understand and follow this policy?**

We understand that providing clear guidance to end users is a key step in improving cybersecurity at UC. To help clarify this, we created common roles and responsibilities for end users and posted them online. We'll update the website as needed. Providing supporting resources is a key part of the implementation plan.

Link (look at the left side navigation): <https://security.ucop.edu/guides/index.html>

### **2. What drove the adoption of this structure of the policy?**

UC, EDUCAUSE and other universities opted to use the International Standards Organization (ISO) standard on security techniques, information security management systems and security requirements. These standards are labeled 27001 and 27002. The ISO standard is in use worldwide, which makes it easier for UC to work with cyber insurance carriers, outside firms and off-the-shelf security tools. It also maps easily to the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) security controls.

### **3. Do websites with resources to support Workforce Members in managing security exist?**

Yes. At <https://security.ucop.edu/services/index.html> on the left side of the screen, a list of links points to each Location's resources.

At <https://security.ucop.edu/guides/index.html> there are resources to help guide adoption of the policy. Locations and UCOP both plan to work to meet the needs of the UC Workforce to do their part to manage UC's cyber-risk.

### **4. Why is the role of principal investigator (PI) included in this policy?**

One of policy's top goals is to support research, a pillar of UC's mission. The policy identifies PIs and formally places them in charge of managing security within the parameters set by their Location.

PIs have three main options:

1) They can use a pre-approved Risk Treatment Plan provided by the location CISO that tells them what controls to use based on the classification level of the Institutional Information they're handling. Many PIs will likely choose this approach.

2) They can use a Service Provider (such as a managed academic research computing environment; UCI and UC Davis already are working on prototypes with faculty partners) who will manage security for them. The policy formally provides support for these types of Service Providers.

3) They can follow the policy to manage security themselves according to the needs of their program. The requirements are listed here: <https://security.ucop.edu/guides/researcher.html>

### **5. Faculty and other researchers share customized code with other researchers. Is that an acceptable practice?**

Yes—but faculty and researchers need to understand the Institutional Information classification levels and make sure their applications accomplish the mission securely. Researchers should also consider whether their applications introduce additional cyber-risk to others, and then act accordingly.

## IS-3 Reviewer FAQs

Questions about IS-3 developed during management consultation and early outreach

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### **6. How will Locations allocate additional resources to support the policy?**

Each Location's Chancellor has appointed a cyber-risk responsible executive (CRE). The CRE is responsible for managing cyber-risk and allocating resources. The Location will assess risk, manage priorities and allocate budget according to Location priorities.

### **7. Do Locations control the implementation of this policy?**

Yes.

### **8. What are the standards referenced in the policy?**

The policy references nine standards, which are approved by the IT Leadership Council (ITLC) in consultation with the UC Academic Senate Computing Committee (UCACC). Standards contain requirements that could change more rapidly than policy allows and/or provide additional details and options (like using passwords, passphrases or multi-factor authentication to gain access). An example draft of the Minimum Security Standard is available here: <https://security.ucop.edu/guides/security-controls-everyone-all-devices.html>

These standards are currently in development.

### **9. We are concerned about grants and data-sharing agreements that specify the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) 800-171 security controls. Will this policy support our research grants under those requirements?**

Yes. This is one of the reasons this policy is so important. The new IS-3 was validated against NIST 800-171, and with a few Location specifics like administrative physical access controls and controls that depend on Location technology choices, the policy provides the needed requirements to support research involving Controlled Unclassified Information (CUI).

### **10. We are concerned that the Department of Education will start auditing financial aid offices against the Gramm–Leach–Bliley Act (GLBA) safeguard rule and later the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) 800-171 security controls. Will this policy support those requirements?**

Yes. This is another reason this policy is so important. The new IS-3 was validated against GLBA and NIST 800-171, and with a few Location specifics like administrative controls and controls that depend on Location technology choices, the policy provides the needed requirements to support operations involving Controlled Unclassified Information (CUI) used in Financial Aid offices.



# BFB-IS-3: Electronic Information Security

<b>Responsible Officer:</b>	Chief Information Officer & VP - Information Technology Services
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<b>Issuance Date:</b>	TBD, 2017
<b>Effective Date:</b>	TBD, 2017
<b>Last Review Date:</b>	TBD, 2017
<b>Scope:</b>	<p>This policy applies to all of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● All UC campuses and medical centers, the UC Office of the President, UC Agriculture and Natural Resources, UC-managed national laboratories and all other UC locations (Locations).</li> <li>● All Workforce Members, Suppliers, Service Providers and other authorized users of Institutional Information and IT Resources. This policy does <b>not</b> apply to UC students.</li> <li>● All use of Institutional Information, independent of the location (physical or cloud) or ownership of any device or account that is used to store, access, process, transmit or control Institutional Information.</li> <li>● All devices, independent of their location or ownership, when connected to a UC network or cloud service used to store or process Institutional Information.</li> <li>● Research projects performed at any Location, and UC-sponsored work performed by any Location.</li> </ul>

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## I. POLICY SUMMARY

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At the University of California (UC), our knowledge and its discovery, advancement, transmission and organization are at the heart of our mission to provide world-class teaching, research and public service. Protecting the confidentiality, integrity and availability of this knowledge (Institutional Information), as well as our information technology resources (IT Resources), is critical to support our mission.

UC's Electronic Information Security Policy provides a security framework that protects Institutional Information and IT Resources from accidental or intentional unauthorized access, loss or damage, while preserving UC's collaborative academic culture.

This policy is designed to meet the following objectives:

### 1. Establish policy principles and goals.

Section III, subsections 1-5 provide an overview of this policy's purpose and goals; provide management direction and support for information security; specify principles to guide implementation, application and review of this policy; and describe elements expected in an Information Security Management Program.

### 2. Define policy requirements that govern information security at UC.

Section III, subsections 6-18 cover specific requirements for information security.

### 3. Outline information security requirements for Workforce Members and other users of Institutional Information and IT Resources.

Section III, subsection 7 and Section IV specify roles and responsibilities as related to information security.

## II. DEFINITIONS

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A comprehensive glossary of terms can be found at [https://security.ucop\[dot\]edu/resources/IT-Policy-Glossary/index.html](https://security.ucop[dot]edu/resources/IT-Policy-Glossary/index.html). **[LINK TBD, separate file for this review.]**

For ease of reference, following are definitions for several of the most commonly used terms in this policy:

**Institutional Information:** A term that broadly describes all data and information created, received and collected by UC.

**IT Resources:** A term that broadly describes information technology (IT) infrastructure and/or resources with computing and networking capabilities. These include, but are not limited to: personal and mobile computing systems and devices, mobile phones, printers, network devices, industrial control systems (SCADA, etc.), access control systems, digital video monitoring systems, data storage systems, data processing systems, backup systems, electronic and physical media, biometric and access tokens

and other devices that connect to any UC network. This includes both UC-owned and personally owned devices.

**Location:** A discrete organization or entity governed by the Regents of the University of California. Locations include, but are not limited to: campuses, laboratories and medical centers, health systems, as well as satellite offices, affiliates or other offices in the United States controlled by the Regents of the University of California.

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**Workforce Manager:** Person who supervises/manages other personnel or approves work or research on behalf of the University.

**Workforce Member:** Employee, faculty, staff, volunteer, contractor, researcher, student worker, student supporting/performing research, medical center staff/personnel, clinician, student intern, student volunteer, or person working for UC in any capacity or through any other augmentation to UC staffing.

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### III. POLICY TEXT

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#### Section 1: General Overview

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**Objective:** *Provide an overview of this policy's purpose and goals, identify applicable sanctions, and establish responsibility for breach costs.*

In carrying out our mission of teaching, research, patient care and public service, UC's faculty, other academic personnel, staff, and other affiliates create, receive, transmit and collect many different types of Institutional Information. To carry out its mission, UC also maintains significant investments in IT Resources, which include information technology (IT) infrastructure, computing systems, network systems and industrial control systems.

An Information Security Management Program (ISMP) is a fundamental requirement for protecting the confidentiality, integrity and availability of UC's Institutional Information and IT Resources.

This policy establishes a minimum set of information security requirements. Risk Assessments (see Section 6) may highlight areas that require additional security requirements. The full set of security controls that must be used is the combination of the requirements set forth in this policy and the controls identified through the risk management process.

All Workforce Members share a common set of responsibilities for protecting Institutional Information and IT Resources, regardless of working location, device used, storage location (physical or cloud) or access method. Some Workforce Members carry additional security responsibilities based on their roles and functions.

## **1.1 Goals**

This policy addresses UC's responsibilities and requirements to achieve six electronic information security goals:

### **1.1.1 Preserve academic and research collaboration.**

UC is committed to preserving an environment that encourages academic and research collaboration through the responsible use of Institutional Information and IT Resources.

### **1.1.2 Protect privacy.**

UC is committed to maintaining and protecting privacy for individuals. Privacy consists of: (1), an individual's ability to conduct activities without suspected or actual observation; and (2), the appropriate use and release of information about individuals.

### **1.1.3 Follow a risk-based approach.**

UC is committed to using a risk-based approach, which allocates resources to protect Institutional Information and IT Resources based on threats and their likelihood of causing an adverse outcome. This approach balances UC's information security goals with its other values, obligations and interests.

### **1.1.4 Maintain confidentiality.**

UC is committed to maintaining and protecting the confidentiality of Institutional Information. This requires the handling of information to ensure it will not be disclosed in ways that are inconsistent with authorized use and its original purpose.

### **1.1.5 Protect integrity.**

UC is committed to protecting Institutional Information integrity. Integrity is the treatment of information to guard against improper modification or destruction. This includes ensuring the information is authentic.

### **1.1.6 Ensure availability.**

UC is committed to maintaining and protecting the availability of Institutional Information and IT Resources. This requires the management of Institutional Information and IT Resources to ensure they are accessible and usable to meet UC's business and operational needs.

## 1.2 Sanctions and breach cost responsibility

The following disciplinary sanctions and cost recovery steps are authorized for confirmed and serious violations of this policy.

### 1.2.1 Violations and sanctions

Confirmed serious violations of this policy may result in sanctions, which are governed by:

- Policy on Student Conduct and Discipline if the student is part of the Workforce.
- Personnel Policies for Staff Members 3, 62, 63, 64 and II-64 pertaining to disciplinary and separation matters.
- As applicable, the Faculty Code of Conduct (APM - 015), University Policy on Faculty Conduct and the Administration of Discipline (APM - 016), and Non-Senate Academic Appointees/Corrective Action and Dismissal (APM-150).
- As applicable, collective bargaining agreements.
- As applicable, non-faculty medical staff disciplinary action policies.
- Other policies that specifically apply.

Confirmed serious violations of this policy may result in:

- The immediate restriction or suspension of computer accounts and/or access to IT Resources or Institutional Information as outlined in the UC Electronic Communications Policy.
- Employment or educational consequences, up to and including:
  - Informal verbal counseling and/or a written counseling memo and education.
  - Mandatory education and/or supplemental training.
  - Adverse performance appraisals.
  - Corrective or disciplinary actions.
  - Termination.

### 1.2.2 Costs of an Information Security Incident

Units will bear the direct costs that result from an Information Security Incident under the Unit's area of responsibility that resulted from a significant failure to comply with this policy. The costs include, but are not limited to: the response, containment, remediation, forensics, analysis, notification, litigation, penalties, regulatory fines and any other costs directly attributable to the Information Security Incident.

## Section 2: Organizing Information Security

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**Objective:** *Provide management direction and support for information security in accordance with UC requirements. Establish framework for managing exceptions and describe formal document types used to govern information electronic information security.*

## 2.1 Management direction for information security

Each Location must identify or appoint a Chief Information Security Officer (CISO). A Location may designate one or more people/roles to meet this provision, but must clearly and unambiguously make the appointment(s) to ensure scope and responsibility are understood.

Locations may create additional roles and assign responsibilities to implement this policy and the location ISMP. Locations must establish governance and processes to support the CISO responsibilities stated in this policy.

## 2.2 Exception process

While exceptions to an electronic information security policy or a standard may weaken protection of Institutional Information and IT Resources, they are occasionally necessary. Exception requests must be submitted to the CISO and follow the Location-approved exception process.

Units requesting an exception must explain:

- Why the exception is needed.
- The duration of the exception request.
- How any proposed compensating controls mitigate security risks that this policy would otherwise address.

Some exceptions require compensating controls. These exceptions are:

- Obligations created by an agreement, regulation or law.
- Where Institutional Information classified at Protection or Availability Level 3 or higher is involved (see “Section 8: Asset Management and Classification” for level details).
- Where IT Resources classified at Protection or Availability Level 4 are involved.

Units may also provide a cost benefit analysis when requesting an exception.

Exceptions must be approved by the CISO and a Unit Head with the level of authority that matches the risks identified. Locations may require additional approvals for exceptions.

For specific use cases, the CISO can define a standard exception plan to manage risks, implement compensating controls, and provide for periodic review.

Exception requests and decisions must be documented, periodically reviewed based on risk, and retained by the CISO as required by the UC Records Retention Schedule.

### 2.3 Policies, standards and supporting documents

Information security management requires a combination of policies and standards. Procedures and guidelines can be used to explain specific requirements and methods for implementation at a Location.

Locations may develop and approve Location-specific policies, standards, procedures, supporting guidelines, supporting checklists and supporting best practices to explain specific information security policy requirements and methods for implementation at the Location. Supporting documents may be more restrictive than this policy, but not less restrictive.

Document type	Governance	Review cycle
Systemwide Policy	University of California Policy Steering Committee	Schedule set forth by the University of California Office of the President Policy Office.
Standard	<p>Systemwide information security standards are developed by working groups appointed by the Information Technology Leadership Council (ITLC). Standards development and approval must follow at least these steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide an opportunity for the Academic Senate and/or UC Academic Computing Committee to appoint a member to the working group.</li> <li>• Before the systemwide information security standard is issued, provide a timely consultation review with:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Academic Senate and/or UC Academic Computing Committee</li> <li>○ Academic Personnel</li> <li>○ Staff Human Resources and/or Labor Relations</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Approve and record the approval and issuance of the standard.</li> </ul> <p>In exigent circumstances, the ITLC can issue or amend a standard on an interim basis and complete the consultation in arrears.</p> <p>Locations may develop additional standards using location governance.</p>	Adhere to the documented periodic review cycle, but at least one review every three years.

Document type	Governance	Review cycle
Procedure	CIO-appointed committee, Unit Head or assigned designee	Adhere to the documented periodic review cycle, but at least one review every three years.
Supporting – Guide or Guideline	CIO-appointed committee, Unit Head or assigned designee	None - updated as needed.
Supporting - Checklist	CIO-appointed committee, Unit Head or assigned designee	None - updated as needed.
Supporting - Best Practice	CIO-appointed committee, Unit Head or assigned designee	None - updated as needed.

### Section 3: Roles and Responsibilities

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Roles and responsibilities are outlined in [Part IV](#) of this policy.

### Section 4: Information Security Management Program Principles

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*Objective: Specify the principles that guide UC and each Location in the implementation, application and review of this policy and the ISMP.*

#### 4.1 A goal-based approach is best.

To ensure sound financial and operational decisions, the goals listed in Section 1 must be used to scope, protect and make risk-based decisions about commensurate protection of Institutional Information and IT Resources.

#### 4.2 Units are accountable for implementing information security.

The Unit Head is accountable for appropriately protecting Institutional Information and IT Resources, and managing information security risk in a manner consistent with this policy.

#### 4.3 Decision-making rights correspond to risk level.

To protect UC and manage risk, information security and risk management decisions must be made at the level of financial, privacy, legal, reputation, brand or other organizational authority that matches the level of risk identified.

#### 4.4 Security is a shared responsibility.

All Workforce Members are responsible for ensuring the protection of Institutional Information and IT Resources.

Understanding the risks, threats, costs and incidents associated with securing Institutional Information is a shared responsibility.

#### **4.5 Security is embedded into the entire lifecycle.**

Information security must be incorporated into the entire lifecycle for any system, service or software. This includes identifying, budgeting for, planning, developing, implementing and maintaining security processes and controls.

### **Section 5: Information Security Management Program**

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***Objective:** Provide management direction and support of an overall Information Security Management Program in accordance with business requirements and relevant laws and regulations.*

#### **5.1 Establish an Information Security Management Program**

Locations must establish and implement an Information Security Management Program (ISMP). Multiple roles participate in executing the ISMP; see [Section IV](#) for additional details.

The ISMP must contain administrative, technical and physical safeguards designed to protect Institutional Information and IT Resources. Each Location ISMP must implement a risk-based, layered approach that uses preventative, detective and corrective controls sufficient to provide an acceptable level of information security.

#### **5.2 Essential Information Security Management Program elements**

Each Location must implement the following essential ISMP elements and carry out the supporting tasks.

##### **5.2.1 Information security risk governance**

Locations must establish an information security risk governance framework that:

- Establishes roles and responsibilities of the ISMP at the Location.
- Ensures implementation of the risk management process (see Section 6).
- Defines information security risk tolerances.
- Defines acceptable risk responses.
- Establishes an escalation protocol to manage residual risk that exceeds UC maximum tolerances.
- Advises on the allocation of resources in response to identified and prioritized risks.
- Reviews the ISMP annually to ensure it addresses changing business needs, operating environments, threat landscape, regulatory landscape and changes in technology.
- Documents review of the ISMP by the Cyber-risk Responsible Executive (CRE).

##### **5.2.2 Unit security planning, execution and review**

Units are responsible for implementing the Location ISMP for any Institutional Information and IT Resources they handle. Implementation must include:

- Budgeting to address information security risks.
- Documentation of plans, actions and reviews.
- Administrative controls.
- Technical controls.
- Physical controls.
- A layered approach using preventative, detective and corrective controls.
- Effectiveness reviews.

### **5.2.3 General security and awareness training**

Locations must implement training, awareness campaigns, educational materials and related efforts to ensure all Workforce Members and students:

- Understand common security risks and security practices for protecting information and resources.
- Understand their roles and responsibilities in protecting Institutional Information and IT Resources, managing information security risk and reporting Information Security Incidents.

Workforce Member training must include how to comply with the Location incident reporting requirements.

### **5.2.4 Reporting on risk and the state of information security**

Locations must implement a process for reporting risk and the state of information security to the Location leadership. The process must address:

- Frequency of reporting.
- Overall information security risk levels.
- Performance on past objectives.
- Reporting on significant changes in the environment or threat landscape and the plans to address those changes.

### **5.2.5 Operationalizing information security**

The ISMP may address:

- Location-specific implementation of this policy.
- Assignment of responsibilities to a senior role or creation of an equivalent role.
- Information security budgeting and planning processes.
- Other Location requirements to operationalize this policy or address Location-specific requirements.

## **Section 6: Risk Management Process**

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**Objective:** *Ensure this policy can achieve its intended outcome(s) using a risk-based approach.*

## 6.1 Risk management minimum requirements

This section establishes minimum requirements for the UC risk management process. The Location risk management process must address the following:

- Identifying assets.
- Protecting assets.
- Detecting and evaluating Information Security Events.
- Responding to Information Security Incidents.
- Recovering from Information Security Incidents.
- Framing and assessing risk.
- Responding to risk once determined.
- Monitoring risk on an ongoing basis.
- Providing a feedback loop for continuous improvement.
- Monitoring security and compensating controls for effectiveness.

### 6.1.1 Risk Assessments

Risk Assessments must be completed for Institutional Information and IT Resources.

Risk Assessments may identify further security controls that must be implemented in addition to the controls required by this policy.

This section establishes minimum requirements for Risk Assessments. Risk Assessments must include:

- Identification of threats and vulnerabilities that could adversely affect Unit or Location operations, Institutional Information or IT Resources.
  - Cloud and Supplier services must be included in the Risk Assessment process for Institution Information classified at Protection Level 2 or higher.
- A risk rating scale that establishes a common perspective and ensures that Risk Assessments produce comparable and reproducible results across the Location.
- Rating of risks to determine the prioritization of mitigation. The risk rating and prioritization will determine the level of resources needed for compensating controls.
- Risk prioritization must take into account:
  - Protection Level (see Section 8.2.1, Classification of Institutional Information and IT Resources).
  - Availability Level (see Section 8.2.1, Classification of Institutional Information and IT Resources).
  - Analysis of the potential impact.
  - Specific vulnerabilities.
  - Specific threats.
  - Probability of adverse events.

### 6.1.2 Risk Treatment Plans

Risk management may include a Risk Treatment Plan, which is a pre-approved response plan to address pre-identified risks in a specific situation.

The CISO may pre-approve standard Risk Treatment Plan(s) in lieu of a full Risk Assessment. The CISO must establish when and how the Risk Treatment Plans are used and implemented.

Risk Treatment Plans must include at least the following:

- A baseline set of controls based on this policy.
- Criteria for selecting alternate controls (one set vs. another set) to manage specific risks.
- Response plans to address the prioritized risks, including implementing controls to reduce risk.
- Documented actions and decisions related to scoping, risk acceptance, residual risk, risk avoidance and risk transference.

### 6.1.3 Risk Assessments and Critical IT Infrastructure

The CISO must work with Location governance to identify Critical IT Infrastructure in scope for Risk Assessments.

IT Resources designated as Critical IT Infrastructure must undergo a specific Risk Assessment that includes selecting a specific set of controls appropriate for the IT Resources. The CISO must document and approve these controls.

### 6.1.4 Risk Assessment periodic review and updates

The Unit Information Security Lead must periodically review and adjust Risk Assessments and Risk Treatment Plans to manage risk. Reviews must occur at least:

- Once every three years, or
- Following major changes in the configuration/environment, or
- On a frequency to meet regulatory, contractual and legal requirements.

The Unit Information Security Lead must update Risk Assessments and Risk Treatment Plans when significant changes occur.

## Section 7: Human Resource Security

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**Objective:** *Ensure that Workforce Members understand their key responsibilities and are trained for their current roles or any roles for which they are considered. Ensure managers of Workforce Members communicate and facilitate strong information security practices.*

### 7.1 Prior to employment

Role	Key Responsibilities
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<p>Location Human Resources</p>	<p>Establish onboarding procedures that support information security:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In addition to background checks required by personnel policies for staff members, perform background checks for:           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Those with access to Institutional Information classified at Protection Level 3 or higher.</li> <li>○ Those with access to IT Resources classified at Availability Level 3 or higher.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Completing and documenting identify verification for access control.</li> </ul>
<p>Workforce Manager</p>	<p>When recruiting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Establishes security duties of the position and includes them in the job description or appointment letter.</li> <li>• Follows the appropriate Location onboarding procedures related to information security.</li> </ul>

## 7.2 During employment

<p><b>Role</b></p>	<p><b>Key Responsibilities</b></p>
<p>Workforce Manager</p>	<p>Updates the information security elements of job descriptions and training requirements when job duties change.</p> <p>Reviews access rights annually and removes access that is no longer needed.</p> <p>Notifies appropriate Units and Location contact(s) in a timely manner when job responsibilities change in a way that affects Institutional Information and IT Resource access.</p> <p>Ensures Workforce Members complete security awareness training.</p> <p>Ensures IT Workforce Members have appropriate security skills and qualifications, and are educated on a regular basis, or receive training related to the security job requirements, policies, procedures, <a href="#">standards</a> and best practices to maintain minimum standards of</p>

	<p>information security.</p> <p>Promptly addresses reported, suspected or actual policy violations.</p>
Workforce Member	<p>Follows applicable information security policies, procedures, standards and best practices to maintain minimum standards of information security.</p> <p>Completes assigned security training.</p> <p>Reports to their manager any access rights that are outside assigned roles or responsibilities.</p> <p>Reports or records to their Unit the use of any Supplier or cloud service outside of what is provided by UC or the Location when used to store or process Institutional Information.</p> <p>Reports to their manager any gaps in, or failure of, information security controls in the assigned area of responsibility.</p> <p>Does not attempt to gain unauthorized access, disrupt operations, gain access to confidential information security strategies or inappropriately alter Institutional Information.</p> <p>Reports possible unlawful action in accordance with UC's Whistleblower Policy to at least one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● The Locally Designated Official.</li><li>● The Workforce Member's immediate supervisor.</li></ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Other appropriate UC official.</li> </ul>
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### 7.3 Separation and change of employment

Role	Responsibilities
Location Human Resources (HR)	<p>Location HR teams must establish separation and change of employment procedures that support information security and incorporate minimum security requirements set by the CISO.</p> <p>Employment procedures must include appropriate background checks when a Workforce Member moves into a critical position, or is granted access to Institutional Information or IT Resources classified at Protection Level 3 or higher as part of a job change.</p>
Workforce Manager	<p>Follows the appropriate Location separation procedures.</p> <p>Documents the steps taken to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Collect UC property, IT Resources and physical access keys/cards as applicable.</li> <li>• Collect or ensure the return and/or secure deletion of Institutional Information.</li> <li>• Revoke access.</li> <li>• Ensure continued availability of Institutional Information required for business continuity.</li> </ul> <p>Ensures that information system access, including all internal, physical and remote access, is promptly revoked as appropriate.</p> <p>Documents approval by an appropriate Location official of any IT Resource access privileges retained after separation.</p>
Workforce Member	<p>Returns all UC property, IT Resources and physical access keys/cards.</p> <p>Returns all Institutional Information, token encryption keys and any copies.</p> <p>Surrenders UC-licensed software and tools.</p>

## 7.4 Separation of duties

Workforce Managers must consider the principle of Separation of Duties when designing and defining job duties.

Workforce Managers must:

- Implement methods and controls in their area of responsibility that, to the extent feasible and appropriate, separate duties among Workforce Members so that requestor, approver and implementer are separated.
- Establish effective oversight of activities and transactions.

When functions cannot be separated, adequate administrative oversight or other compensating controls must be in place to mitigate identified risks.

## Section 8: Asset Management

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***Objective:** Identify UC assets (Institutional Information and IT Resources) and define appropriate protection responsibilities.*

### 8.1 Responsibility for assets

This section identifies organizational assets and defines appropriate protection responsibilities. In the context of this policy, organizational assets include both Institutional Information and IT Resources.

#### 8.1.1 Inventory of assets

The Unit Information Security Lead must maintain an inventory record for the lifecycle of Institutional Information and IT Resources classified at Protection Level 3 or higher handled by the Unit. The inventory record must contain at least:

- An identification of the asset.
- Identity of the Institutional Information Proprietor.
- Protection Level.
- Availability Level.
- Location of the Institutional Information or IT Resource.
- Configuration or security documentation.
- Identification of and adherence to retention requirements established in UC's Records Management Policies (RMP.)

#### 8.1.2 Compliance with Proprietor Classification Level for Institutional Information and IT Resources

Units must comply with requirements for use and protection of Institutional Information and IT Resources based on the Classification Level set by the Proprietor.

#### 8.1.3 Acceptable use of assets

Units must ensure that Workforce Members who are using or have access to Institutional Information and/or IT Resources:

- Comply with the applicable information security requirements as defined by this policy and [standards](#).
- Use Institutional Information and access IT Resources in accordance with their job responsibilities.
- Comply with UC and Location Acceptable Use policies.

## 8.2 Institutional Information and IT Resource information security classification

Institutional Information must receive an appropriate level of protection in accordance with its classification.

### 8.2.1 Classification of Institutional Information and IT Resources

This policy addresses Institutional Information in electronic form. Other considerations may apply, including records management and privacy policies, and protection of paper records.

Proprietors must determine the Protection Level, summarized in the tables below, for Institutional Information and IT Resources under their area of responsibility.

Unit Information Security Leads and Proprietors must classify the Availability Level, summarized in the tables below, of Institutional Information and IT Resources under their area of responsibility.

Proprietors must comply with the UC Institutional Information and IT Resource Classification Standard.

Protection Levels and Availability Levels are used to select the security controls required by this policy and to drive key processes such as risk management.

#### Protection Level classifications:

Protection Level Classification	
Level	Impact of disclosure or compromise
P4 - High	Institutional Information and related IT Resources whose unauthorized disclosure or modification could result in significant fines, penalties, regulatory action, or civil or criminal violations. Statutory, regulatory and contract obligations are major drivers for this risk level. Other drivers include, but are not limited to, the risk of significant harm or impairment to UC students, patients, research subjects, employees, guests/program participants, UC reputation, the overall operation of the Location or essential services. (Statutory.)
P3 - Moderate	Institutional Information and related IT Resources whose

	unauthorized disclosure or modification could result in small to moderate fines, penalties or civil actions. Institutional Information of which unauthorized use, access, disclosure, acquisition, modification, loss or deletion could result in moderate damage to UC, its students, patients, research subjects, employees, community and/or reputation; could have a moderate impact on the privacy of a group; could result in moderate financial loss; or could require legal action. This classification level also includes lower risk items that, when combined, represent increased risk. (Proprietary.)
P2 - Low	Institutional Information and related IT Resources that may not be specifically protected by statute, regulations or other contractual obligations or mandates, but are generally not intended for public use or access. In addition, information of which unauthorized use, access, disclosure, acquisition, modification or loss could result in minor damage or small financial loss, or cause minor impact on the privacy of an individual or group. (Internal.)
P1 - Minimal	Public information or information intended to be readily obtainable by the public, but whose integrity is important and for which unauthorized modification is the primary protection concern. IT Resources where the application of minimum security requirements is sufficient. (Public.)

**Availability Level classifications:**

<b>Availability Level Classification</b>	
<b>Level</b>	<b>Impact of loss of availability or service</b>
A4 - High	Loss of availability would result in major impairment to the overall operation of the Location and/or essential services, and/or cause significant financial losses. IT Resources that are required by statutory, regulatory and legal obligations are major drivers for this risk level.
A3 - Moderate	Loss of availability would result in moderate financial losses and/or reduced customer service.
A2 - Low	Loss of availability may cause minor losses or inefficiencies.
A1 - Minimal	Loss of availability poses minimal impact or financial losses.

**8.2.2 Labelling of information**

Units must identify Institutional Information and/or IT Resources under their control that require electronic or physical labeling.

### **8.2.3 Periodic review of classification**

Units must review classification of Institutional Information and IT Resources periodically or when major changes occur.

## **8.3 Electronic media handling**

Proper handling of electronic media is critical in preventing unauthorized disclosure, removal or destruction of Institutional Information.

### **8.3.1 Management of removable media**

Units must encrypt Institutional Information classified at Protection Level 3 or higher when stored on removable media.

Units must physically and securely store removable media containing Institutional Information classified at Protection Level 3 or higher.

### **8.3.2 Disposal of electronic media**

Units must dispose of electronic media containing Institutional Information classified at Protection Level 2 or higher, including damaged media and non-removable memory, in compliance with the [UC Data Destruction Standard](#).

### **8.3.3 Physical transfer of electronic media**

Units must protect electronic media containing Institutional Information against loss, unauthorized access, misuse or corruption during transportation.

Units must track and use secure methods for transfers of electronic media containing Institutional Information classified at Protection Level 2 or higher.

## **Section 9: Access Control**

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***Objective:** Limit access to Institutional Information and IT Resources.*

Passwords and other authentication methods must comply with the [UC Authentication Management Standard](#).

### **9.1 Business requirements of access control**

Units must carefully define and manage access to Institutional Information.

#### **9.1.1 Access control for Institutional Information**

Access to Institutional Information must follow the Need to Know and Least Privilege principles.

Institutional Information classified at Protection Level 2 must have controls to prevent unauthorized access.

For Institutional Information classified at Protection Level 3 or higher, Proprietors must determine:

- Appropriate access rights.
- Restrictions for specific user roles.
- Restrictions for use by Units, Service Providers and Suppliers.
- Restrictions and allowances on the alternate uses and reuse of Institutional Information.

When granting access to Institutional Information classified at Protection Level 3 or higher, Units must:

- Segregate access rights management so that requestors, approvers and grantors are unique roles assigned to separate individuals, or implement compensating controls to address risk associated with the combination of duties.
- Maintain records that document changes to access rights and the related approvals.

### **9.1.2 Access to networks and network services**

Access to networks and network services must follow the Least Privilege principle.

Network access to Institutional Information classified at Protection Level 4 must be routed through secure access control points.

Network access to Institutional Information classified at Protection Level 3 or higher must be monitored to detect unauthorized access.

Units granting guest or other access to networks and network services not otherwise covered under this policy must:

- Establish terms of use or acceptable use.
- Set minimum security requirements.
- Scope access and security requirements based on operational need and risk.

## **9.2 User access management**

Units must limit access to authorized users and prevent unauthorized access to Institutional Information and IT Resources.

### **9.2.1 User accounts**

Each Workforce Member and student must have a unique user account to distinguish that user from other users.

Workforce Members and students must not share user accounts, passwords or authentication secrets. Shared access for specific use cases must be approved through the exception process or by adopting a specific Risk Treatment Plan.

When access to Institutional Information or an IT Resource is no longer needed for UC business purposes, Units must disable or remove the access rights.

When access to all Institutional Information and IT Resources is no longer needed, Units must disable or remove the user account.

### **9.2.2 User account access rights**

Units must have an approval process for granting access to Institutional Information and IT Resources. Access must be approved by the appropriate role, and the user must complete any required training prior to receiving access.

### **9.2.3 Management of privileged access rights**

Privileged access must be assigned based on job function(s) and must include clear instructions for appropriate use.

Privileged accounts used to access Institutional Information or IT Resources must have an associated authentication credential that complies with the [UC Authentication Management Standard](#).

Privileged accounts used to access Institutional Information and IT Resources must follow the Least Privilege Principle needed to perform the specific job function(s) and must only be used for the purpose(s) for which the access was authorized.

Privileged access accounts needed to perform installations, updates or other administrative activities must be documented and approved, and, if possible, only enabled to perform the specific administrative task(s), then disabled.

When privileged access is no longer needed for UC business purposes, the Unit must appropriately and promptly reduce or remove access.

### **9.2.4 Management of authentication information of users**

When setting up accounts, passwords and other authentication secrets must be communicated securely to the Workforce Member.

Vendor default passwords and authentication secrets must be changed or disabled before connection to a production or generally accessible network.

### **9.2.5 Review of user access rights**

Units must:

- Review access rights periodically, and remove or reduce rights where appropriate.
- Review access rights for Institutional Information and IT Resources classified at Protection or Availability Level 4 at least annually, and remove or reduce rights where appropriate.
- Review privileged accounts at least annually, when major changes occur, or as directed by the CISO, and remove or reduce rights removed where appropriate.

### **9.3 User responsibilities**

Users must be accountable for safeguarding their passwords and authentication secrets and devices. Workforce Members must comply with the UC Authentication Management Standard.

### **9.4 System and application access control**

Units must limit access to authorized users and prevent unauthorized access to Institutional Information and IT Resources.

#### **9.4.1 System and IT Resource access**

Units must manage access to IT Resources and associated administrative functions according to the requirements set by the Proprietor.

#### **9.4.2 Secure log-on**

Log-on or authentication processes for all systems must comply with the UC Authentication Management Standard.

#### **9.4.3 Password and authentication management system**

Passwords and authentication management systems must comply with the UC Authentication Management Standard.

#### **9.4.4 Use of service accounts and privileged utility programs**

Service accounts must comply with the UC Authentication Management Standard.

Service accounts used to access Institutional Information and IT Resources must have an associated authentication credential that complies with the UC Authentication Management Standard.

Service accounts used to access Institutional Information classified at Protection Level 3 or higher, and IT Resources classified at Availability Level 4, must be disabled from interactive login or screen/user interface sessions when possible.

The installation of Utility Programs capable of overriding system and application controls on IT Resources that process or store Institutional Information classified at Protection Level 2 or higher must be approved through the change management process in this policy and must be included in the applicable Risk Assessment(s).

## **Section 10: Encryption**

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**Objective:** *Ensure appropriate physical access to protect UC Institutional Information and IT Resources.*

### **10.1 Encryption requirements**

Units must select an encryption method approved for use by the CISO, and document the selection rationale.

Institutional Information classified at Protection Level 3 or higher must be encrypted when transmitted over a network.

Institutional Information classified at Protection Level 3 or higher must be encrypted when stored on removable or portable electronic media, laptops or mobile devices.

Institutional Information classified at Protection Level 4 must be encrypted when stored on any electronic media.

### **10.1.2 Security key and certificate management**

Units and Service Providers must comply with the UC Encryption Key and Certificate Management Standard.

## **Section 11: Physical and Environmental Security**

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***Objective:** Ensure appropriate access to protect UC IT Resources and Institutional Information.*

### **11.1 Secure areas**

Units must document and define security perimeters and physical security to protect Institutional Information and IT Resources.

Units must implement and review at least these elements of physical security:

- Statutory, regulatory and contractual requirements.
- Institutional Information Classification.
- Area entry safeguards and controls protecting physical access to Institutional Information and IT Resources.
- Plans for ensuring that Institutional Information classified at Protection Level 3 or higher is not left unsecured where it can be accessed by unauthorized individuals.
- Administrative and physical controls on third-party access and supervision.

Physical access to secured areas must be based on job responsibilities or the Need to Know principle.

### **11.2 Equipment security**

Keeping equipment secure helps prevent loss, damage, theft or compromise of assets, and interruption to UC operations.

#### **11.2.1 Equipment physical protection**

Workforce Members must protect IT Resources from unauthorized access, loss, theft or damage.

IT Resources must be protected based on at least these elements:

- Location standards.
- Location requirements for equipment disposal and reuse.
- Institutional Information contained on the device or electronic media, including during disposal or retirement.

### **11.2.2 Environmental requirements**

Units must protect IT Resources from power failures and other disruptions caused by failures in supporting utilities or environmental controls.

### **11.2.3 Cabling security**

Units must protect power cabling and cabling carrying Institutional Information or supporting information services from unauthorized physical access, interception, interference or damage.

### **11.2.4 Maintenance**

Units must ensure Suppliers who service, maintain, handle or take off-site IT Resources or Institutional Information classified at Protection Level 2 and higher comply with Section III, subsection 15.

### **11.2.5 Removal of assets**

IT Resources must be tracked according to Location inventory requirements. The tracking must include:

- Recording and labeling in accordance with approved Location asset management and inventory management requirements.
- Movement from one Location to another.

Institutional Information classified at Protection Level 3 or higher must not be taken or transmitted off-site unless authorized by the appropriate Workforce Manager or Institutional Information Proprietor.

Institutional Information classified at Protection Level 3 or higher must be adequately protected both on-site and off-site.

## **Section 12: Operations Management**

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**Objective:** *Ensure operational security to protect Institutional Information and IT Resources.*

### **12.1 Operational security and responsibilities**

Units must ensure correct and secure operations of information processing facilities.

#### **12.1.1 Documented administrative operating controls**

Locations must document specific administrative operating controls to support the requirements of this policy, and the operation of IT Resource(s).

Documented administrative operating controls must include these elements:

- Security planning.
- Compensating technologies employed.
- Installation and configuration of systems.
- Normal processing.
- Error and exception handling.
- Defect reporting.
- Escalation.
- Special handling of media or output.
- System restart and recovery.
- Logging and monitoring in compliance with the UC Logging and Event Recording Standard.
- Data flows and data mapping.
- External IT Resources.
- Externally hosted Institutional Information.
- Critical dependencies between IT Resources and/or security tools.

#### **12.1.2 Change management**

Changes to IT Resources must be controlled and scoped through the Location change management process. This process must account for:

- Emergency changes.
- Normal changes.
- Standard changes.

The change management process must record:

- The specific change.
- The communication plan to stakeholders.
- The impacted IT Resources.
- The approval of the change.
- The date and time of the change.
- The impact on security.
- The back-out or restore plan.
- Result of the change.

#### **12.1.3 Capacity management**

Units must plan for:

- Future capacity requirements.
- Replacing or retiring unsupported IT Resources.
- Institutional Information retention and disposal requirements contained in the UC Records Management Policies (RMP).
- Decommissioning of IT Resources.

#### **12.1.4 Development, testing and production environments**

Units must identify the necessary level of separation between production, testing and development environments to prevent production availability or security control problems.

Changes to the production environment must be subject to the Location change management process.

Testing and development environments that contain Institutional Information must include all appropriate security controls identified for the production environment based on the Protection Level and Availability Level.

#### **12.2 Protection from malware and intrusion**

Any device connected to an authenticated or protected Location network must comply with the UC Minimum Security Standard.

Units must monitor IT Resources to detect signs of attack or compromise when any of the following are present:

- Institutional Information classified at Protection Level 2 and higher.
- IT Resources classified at Protection Level 3 or higher.
- IT Resources classified at Availability Level 3 or higher.

#### **12.3 Backup**

Institutional Information classified at Availability Level 3 or higher must be backed up and recoverable.

Retention of backups must comply with UC [records retention requirements](#).

Backups must be protected according to the Protection Level of the Institutional Information they contain.

Removable backup media must meet the removable media requirements outlined in this policy.

Units must document and execute a plan to test restoration of Institutional Information from backups.

A backup catalog must be maintained and must show the location of each backup and retention requirements.

#### **12.4 Logging and monitoring**

Proper logging and monitoring is a required practice for recording events and generating evidence.

#### **12.4.1 Event logging**

Units must comply with the UC Logging and Event Recording Standard for IT Resources when storing, processing or transmitting Institutional Information.

Erasing, purging or trimming event logs outside must be approved through the change management process.

#### **12.4.2 Protection of log information**

Logs must be protected according to the Protection Level of the Institutional Information they contain and may not be released without proper authorization.

Logs must be retained according to external obligations as well as the requirements in the UC Records Retention Schedule, contracts, regulations, litigation hold or preservation orders.

#### **12.4.3 Administrative logs**

For Institutional Information classified at Protection Level 3 or higher, and IT Resources classified at Protection or Availability Level 4, Unit Information Security Leads must independently review privileged accounts periodically to ensure:

- Only authorized activity occurred.
- Anomalies are analyzed and corrective actions implemented.

For Institutional Information classified at Protection Level 3 or higher, Units must limit access to administrative logs using the Need to Know principle.

#### **12.4.4 Clock synchronization**

The clocks of IT Resources within an organization or security domain must be synchronized to a standard reference time source.

#### **12.5 Control of operational software**

Software installation, configuration changes and updates on production systems must be controlled through the Location change management process.

#### **12.6 Technical vulnerability management and patch management**

Units must only use supported and patched versions of hardware and software.

For IT Resources classified at Protection Level 3 or higher, Availability Level 4 or Critical IT Infrastructure, Units must establish and enforce minimum security configuration settings.

Units must:

- Establish and document the required patch frequency.
- Define applicable compensating controls to manage risks related to patch frequencies greater than 90 days.

Hardware or software that cannot be patched to current standards must be protected with compensating controls approved through the exception process or be removed from network access.

Units must regularly take the following steps:

- Assess vulnerabilities using up-to-date vulnerability scans and other sources that include third-party advisories and/or bulletins.
- Perform authenticated vulnerability scans for IT Resources that process or store Institutional Information classified at Protection Level 3 or higher.
- Perform authenticated vulnerability scans for IT Resources classified at Availability Level 4.
- Take appropriate action to patch or apply other controls.
- Document actions taken.

### **12.7 Information systems audit considerations**

Units must support UC Internal Audit reviews, investigations, audits and other approved reviews, including those performed by Suppliers.

Units must plan and control audits to minimize adverse effects on production systems and business processes.

Audit tests must not alter audit logs or production Institutional Information.

Audit activities must not reduce security controls below what is appropriate for the Institutional Information or IT Resource Protection or Availability Level.

Auditor access to Institutional Information classified at Protection Level 3 or higher must be logged and recorded.

## **Section 13: Communications Security**

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**Objective:** *Ensure the security of Institutional Information in transit on networks and between parties.*

### **13.1 Network security management**

IT Resources processing Institutional Information classified at Protection Level 3 or higher must be on segmented networks restricted to similarly classified IT Resources, and must have the ingress and egress points protected by appropriate network security controls, and/or intrusion detection/prevention tools/technologies approved by the CISO.

IT Resources processing Institutional Information classified at Protection Level 3 or higher must turn off or disable unused ports, protocols and services.

IT Resources processing Institutional Information classified at Protection Level 3 or higher must use secure versions of network services.

Network devices used to control access to Institutional Information classified at Protection Level 4 must:

- Use the most restrictive rules possible.
- Allow only authorized connections.
- Detect and log unauthorized access or access attempts.
- Review the network access rules.

Units using an external network service provider to interconnect with the Location network must:

- Have a Risk Assessment or Risk Treatment Plan that addresses the specific use case approved by the CISO.
- Obtain approval from the Location CIO for the use of the external network service provider.

Protected wireless networks must:

- Use encryption approved by the CISO.
- For wireless networks transmitting Institutional Information classified at Protection Level 2 or higher, implement segmentation or equivalent software/policy-defined networking to ensure the connection(s) between protected and unprotected networks have access controls and/or intrusion detection/protection technology.

### **13.2 Information transfer**

The transfer of Institutional Information classified at Protection Level 3 or higher between UC Locations, Suppliers, or to external entities/organizations must use appropriate security controls approved by the CISO and Institutional Information Proprietor.

## **Section 14: System Acquisition, Development and Maintenance**

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**Objective:** *Ensure security by design and throughout the IT Resource and Institutional Information lifecycle.*

### **14.1 Security requirements of information systems**

Units must identify system security and management requirements in the planning phase and prior to development or acquisition of a system.

System security requirements must include:

- The elements described in the UC Secure Software Configuration Standard.

- The Risk Assessment or Risk Treatment Plan.
- The Protection Level and Availability Level.
- The UC Minimum Security Standard.

Software developed in-house that stores, processes or transmits Institutional Information classified at Protection Level 2 or higher must be developed in compliance with the UC Secure Software Development Standard.

For Institutional Information and IT Resources classified at Protection Level 4, Units must conduct penetration testing at a minimum:

- At least once every three years.
- After a major change occurs.

#### **14.2 Security in development and support processes**

Information security must be designed and implemented within the development lifecycle of information systems.

Units must maintain documentation showing security planning and requirements during all phases of development or acquisition, from initiation through implementation, and ongoing maintenance phases.

Version control is required for production source code and configurations.

Access to source code and configurations related to Institutional Information classified at Protection Level 3 or higher must be restricted to approved Workforce Members.

Before software or systems are moved into production, all application/program access methods utilized in development or testing, other than the formal user access methods or formally defined interfaces, must be:

- Deleted, or
- Disabled, or
- Formally documented by the Unit as a production feature in the Risk Assessment.

### **Section 15: Supplier Relationships**

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***Objective:** Ensure vendor relationships are covered by appropriate security requirements and controls.*

#### **15.1 Information security in supplier relationships**

Agreements with Suppliers must contain security requirements that are consistent with this policy and supporting standards for the protection of, and access to, Institutional Information and IT Resources (Appendix - Data Security and Privacy, the purchasing-approved replacement or the CISO-approved equivalent).

## 15.2 Supplier service delivery management

Units must ensure Supplier agreements:

- Incorporate into the purchase agreement the applicable Institutional Information and IT Resource security requirements (UC Purchasing's Appendix - Data Security and Privacy).
- Consider the term of the agreement and changes in information security requirements.
- Receive approval from the CISO on the information security requirements for Institutional Information or IT Resources classified at Protection Level 3 or higher, Availability Level 4 or Critical IT Infrastructure.

Suppliers subject to the Payment Card Industry (PCI) Data Security Standard must sign, or have incorporated into the purchase agreement, the applicable PCI security requirements, terms and conditions.

Suppliers who qualify as a Business Associate under HIPAA/HITECH must sign a UC-approved Business Associate Agreement (BAA).

Suppliers subject to other terms and conditions specified in law or regulation must have the applicable terms included in the agreement.

### 15.2.1 Unit responsibilities when using suppliers

Units must work with their central Procurement departments to ensure agreements and other arrangements with persons or Suppliers conform to the requirements of this policy.

Units using Suppliers must:

- Use only approved and disclosed access methods.
- Comply with the applicable UC Minimum Security Standard.
- Complete a Risk Assessment.
- Ensure Supplier access to IT Resources or Institutional Information is consistent with UC security policies.
- Notify Suppliers when Workforce Members separate if the Supplier facilitates access to IT Resources.
- Ensure that Suppliers report Breaches and Information Security Incidents to the CISO.
- Report observed Supplier security lapses to the CISO.
- Clearly document the responsibilities of each party.
- Ensure review and adjustment of applicable security requirements upon agreement renewal, taking into account changes to:
  - Institutional Information.
  - IT Resources.

- Policy.
- Law and regulation.
  
- As appropriate, obtain assurance from a third party audit report, or other documentation acceptable to UC, demonstrating that appropriate information security safeguards and controls are in place.
- Follow UC records retention requirements contained in UC's Records Management Policies (RMP.)

Units using Suppliers must ensure Suppliers **do not**:

- Share with anyone passwords or authentication secrets that provide access to Institutional Information or IT Resources.
- Use passwords or other authentication secrets that are common across customers or multiple unrelated UC sites.
- Create backdoors or alternate undisclosed access methods for any reason.
- Access systems when not authorized to do so.
- Make unauthorized changes.
- Reduce, remove or turn off any security control without approval from Unit Information Security Lead.
- Create new accounts without Unit approval.
- Store, harvest or pass through UC credentials (username, password, authentication secret or other factor).
- Use or copy the Institutional Information for non-authorized purposes.

## **Section 16: Information Security Incident Management**

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**Objective:** *Ensure a consistent and effective approach to the management of Information Security Incidents, including communication on Information Security Events and compromise details.*

### **16.1 Management of Information Security Incidents and corrective action**

Incident management requires a quick, effective and orderly response.

#### **16.1.1 Location Information Security Incident response plan**

Each Location must develop and maintain a documented Information Security Incident response plan, which must implement the required elements outlined in the UC Privacy and Data Security Incident Response Program Standard.

#### **16.1.2 Reporting Information Security Events**

Workforce Members must promptly report any known or suspected Information Security Incidents, Information Security Events, threats or vulnerabilities associated with Institutional Information or IT Resources to the Workforce Manager, Unit Head or CISO.

Workforce Managers and Unit Heads must promptly report Information Security Incidents involving Institutional Information classified at Protection Level 3 or higher to the CISO.

The Location must develop a method for students to report any known or suspected Information Security Incidents, Information Security Events, threats or vulnerabilities associated with Institutional Information or IT Resources.

The CISO must report Information Security Incidents involving Institutional Information Classified at Level 3 or higher to the Campus Privacy Officer.

### **16.1.3 Response to Information Security Incidents**

Response to Information Security Incidents must follow the Location Information Security Incident response plan.

### **16.1.4 Learning from Information Security Incidents**

The Location must perform a root cause investigation, develop a corrective action plan, and develop a preventive action plan when Information Security Incidents:

- Result in an Institutional Information Breach, or reasonably would have resulted in an Institutional Information Breach if not contained (near misses).
- Compromise IT Resources classified at Protection Level 3 or higher.
- Compromise IT Resources classified at Availability Level 3 or higher.

## **Section 17: Information Security Aspects of Business Continuity Management**

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***Objective:** Maintain information security during adverse situations and ensure information security is embedded in UC's business continuity and/or disaster recovery processes.*

### **17.1 Information security and business continuity**

Units must plan, implement, test and review the continuity of information security as an integral part of the organization's business continuity and disaster recovery plans.

IT Resources classified at Availability Level 4 must be included in emergency and disaster recovery planning.

## **Section 18: Compliance with External Requirements**

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***Objective:** Avoid compromise of Institutional Information and IT Resources.*

### **18.1 Compliance with legal and contractual requirements**

Workforce Members and Units must meet the obligations related to information security, intellectual property, records, privacy, personal information and encryption stated in:

- Laws.
- Governmental regulations.
- Agreements, contracts or external obligations.
- Grants.

Unit Heads must report to the CISO any non-compliance with legal and contractual requirements related to information security.

## 18.2 Information security reviews

Units must perform periodic reviews of information security practices, make corresponding adjustments to the application of this policy, and update applicable Risk Assessments.

### 18.2.1 Independent review of information security

Location auditors, or contracted third-party auditors, must periodically audit and report to management on compliance with this policy and supporting UC standards.

### 18.2.2 Demonstrating compliance with security policies and standards

Units and Service Providers must use and demonstrate an Evidence-Based Approach to compliance with this policy.

### 18.2.3 Technical compliance review

CISOs or their designees must define and execute a method to periodically review compliance with this policy and related UC standards, or as defined by the Risk Assessment.

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## IV. COMPLIANCE / RESPONSIBILITIES

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Role	Responsibilities	Notes
Chancellors, Health System Executive, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory Director, UC Chief Operating Officer, Vice President of the Division of Agriculture and Natural Resources	Appoint responsible parties to implement this policy at their Locations.	--
Cyber-risk Responsible Executive (CRE)	Ensures the responsible parties understand and execute their responsibilities under this policy.  Ensures the Location-wide adoption of the ISMP covered in "Section 5:	--

University of California – Policy BFB-IS-3  
 BFB-IS-3: Electronic Information Security

Role	Responsibilities	Notes
	<p>Information Security Management Program,” and an information security risk management strategy.</p> <p>Reviews the Location’s overall information security Risk Assessments and identifies key risks affecting the Location. Evaluates the Location’s level of cyber risk to make decisions about risk mitigation and risk acceptance.</p> <p>Approves the Location policy exception process.</p> <p>Participates in systemwide initiatives related to information security and information security risk management.</p> <p>Evaluates information security risk and ensures appropriate funding for information security.</p>	
<p>UC Systemwide Chief Information Security Officer</p>	<p>Collaborates with Location officials to ensure implementation of this policy.</p> <p>Supports this policy systemwide and facilitates regular communication among Locations to address consistent implementation of this policy throughout UC.</p>	<p>May be appointed by the UC Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer to act as CISO for assigned Office of the President Locations.</p>
<p>Chief Information Officer (CIO)</p>	<p>Provides operational oversight for the delivery of information technology</p>	<p>Senior IT executive, IT Leadership Council Member.</p>

University of California – Policy BFB-IS-3  
 BFB-IS-3: Electronic Information Security

Role	Responsibilities	Notes
	<p>services that meet the requirements of this policy.</p> <p>Plans and directs information security Risk Assessments for the Location.</p> <p>Provides management oversight for information security planning, implementation, budgeting, staffing, program development and reporting.</p> <p>Sets operational priorities and obtains alignment with the CRE and Location leadership.</p>	
Chief Information Security Officer (CISO)	<p>Assists the Location in the interpretation and application of this policy.</p> <p>Provides management and execution oversight of the ISMP through collaborative relationships with CRE, CIO, academic and administrative officials, using Location governance structure and compliance strategies.</p> <p>Reports Information Security Incidents to UCOP, appropriate Location leadership and the Location CRE.</p> <p>Manages the Location exception process for this policy.</p>	May also be called an “Information Security Officer (ISO)” or “Campus Information Security Officer (CISO)” at some Locations.
Unit Head	Oversees the execution of this policy within the Unit.	A Unit can be an IT, academic, research,

Role	Responsibilities	Notes
	<p>Assigns one or more individual(s) with oversight of the execution of information security responsibilities within the Unit. This role is called the Unit Information Security Lead.</p> <p>Identifies and inventories Institutional Information and IT Resources managed by the Unit.</p> <p>Ensures Risk Assessments are complete and Risk Treatment Plans are implemented.</p> <p>Specifies the Protection Level and Availability requirements to Service Providers who manage IT Resources on behalf of the Unit.</p> <p>Through the risk management process, ensures that protection of Institutional Information and IT Resources managed by Service Providers meets the requirements of this policy.</p> <p>Through the risk management process, ensures that Institutional Information and IT Resources managed by Suppliers meet the requirements of this policy.</p> <p>Reports Information</p>	<p>administrative or other entity operating within UC. A Unit Head is characterized by having budget control and/or control or authority over IT Resources and/or Institutional Information. See the glossary.</p> <p>Unit Heads may delegate specific information security responsibilities to Workforce Members under their area of responsibility, Service Providers or Suppliers. The Unit Head must ensure this delegation of responsibility is clear and unambiguous. Any Unit information security responsibilities not expressly delegated to, and accepted by, a Service Provider or Supplier remain the responsibility of the Unit Head.</p>

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 BFB-IS-3: Electronic Information Security

Role	Responsibilities	Notes
	<p>Security Incidents to the CISO.</p> <p>Reports to the CISO any information security policy or standard that is not fully met by the Unit, or by a Service Provider managing Institutional Information or IT Resources on behalf of the Unit.</p> <p>Ensures the above responsibilities are included in the overall Unit planning and budgeting process.</p>	
Service Provider	<p>Delivers information technology services that comply with this policy.</p> <p>Documents and delivers IT services in compliance with this policy, other UC policies and applicable Location policies.</p> <p>Notifies the Unit Head of any policy provisions that are unmet or require additional controls by the Unit.</p> <p>Supports Units in completing Risk Assessments related to the services provided.</p> <p>Coordinates with Units to implement appropriate security measures.</p> <p>Coordinates with Units to respond to potential and</p>	<p>Can be a central IT group, another Unit, another UC location, or UC service center providing specific IT services to a Unit.</p> <p>Service Providers can be Units for the purposes of this policy.</p> <p>Service Providers are internal UC entities for the purposes of this policy. External suppliers are covered under this policy in section 15.</p>

Role	Responsibilities	Notes
	confirmed Information Security Incidents.	
Institutional Information Proprietor	<p>Assumes overall responsibility for establishing the Protection Level classification, access to, and release of a defined set of Institutional Information.</p> <p>Classifies Institutional Information under their area of responsibility in accordance with this policy.</p> <p>Establishes and documents rules for use of, access to, approval for use, and removal of access to the Institutional Information related to their area of responsibility.</p> <p>Notifies Units, users, Service Providers and Suppliers of the Institutional Information Protection Level.</p> <p>Approves Institutional Information transfers and access related to their areas of responsibility.</p> <p>Notifies Units, Service Providers and Suppliers of any changes in requirements set by the Institutional Information Proprietor.</p>	<p>The Institutional Information Proprietor is responsible for their defined set of Institutional Information regardless of the Unit holding the data.</p> <p>Responsibilities of this role may affect Unit, Service Provider and Supplier requirements.</p>
Workforce Manager	Complies with this policy.	See Glossary. Typically managers or supervisors.

Role	Responsibilities	Notes
Workforce Member	Complies with this policy.	See Glossary. This is a broad term encompassing all individuals who perform work for UC in any capacity.
Researcher	<p>Complies with all responsibilities of Workforce Members.</p> <p>Uses a Location pre-approved Risk Treatment Plan, or uses a Risk Assessment to ensure the information security requirements are met.</p> <p>Identifies the appropriate Institutional Information Protection Level defined in this policy for research data.</p> <p>Identifies and meets confidentiality and data security obligations based on laws, regulations, policies, grants, contracts and binding commitments (such as data use agreements and participant consent agreements) relating to research data.</p> <p>Creates and maintains evidence that demonstrates how security controls were implemented and kept up to date during the research projects.</p> <p>Develops and follows an information security plan that manages security risk over the course of their</p>	

Role	Responsibilities	Notes
	<p>project.            Ensures Suppliers who store or process Institutional Information during the project follow UC policy for written contracts.</p> <p>Ensures Supplier agreements include approved terms supporting the information security controls specified in this policy and applicable UC purchasing requirements.</p>	
Unit Information Security Lead	Provides oversight and execution of information security responsibilities within the Unit.	The Unit Head assigns this role to Workforce Member(s) to carry out Unit responsibilities under this policy. The Unit Head can also perform this role.

## V. REQUIRED PROCEDURES

The standards referenced in this policy specify additional requirements that can change more frequently than this policy and/or provide details to implementing the requirements of this policy.

Using the standards governance outlined in Section III, 2.3, ITLC is responsible for developing, implementing, revising and consulting on standards in support of this policy. These include but are not limited to:

1. UC Authentication Management Standard
2. UC Data Destruction Standard
3. UC Encryption Key and Certificate Management Standard
4. UC Institutional Information and IT Resource Classification Standard
5. UC Logging and Event Recording Standard
6. [UC Minimum Security Standard](#)
7. UC Secure Software Configuration Standard
8. UC Privacy and Data Security Incident Response Plan Standard
9. UC Secure Software Development Standard

## VI. RELATED INFORMATION

Note: These are governed by section 2.3 – Standards. In the final they will hyperlink to the on-line standard.

This policy is based on and ties to the International Organization for Standardization and the International Electrotechnical Commission (ISO) 27000:2013 document series. Section III, subsections 1-6 are based on ISO 27001:2013. Section III, subsections 7-18 are based on ISO 27002:2013. The numbering and mapping of subsections 7-18 match ISO 27002:2013.

The sections contained in this document overlap in some areas because of the comprehensive nature of the ISO 27000:2013 framework. The Chief Information Security Officer (CISO) at each Location is a resource for interpreting this policy and addressing complex or outlying issues.

Note: FAQs will be developed prior to policy issuance. FAQs are not live yet!  
Sample/draft guides are posted.

## VII. FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Additional resources to guide the understanding and use of this policy are on the systemwide information security website: <https://security.ucop.edu/guides/index.html>

## VIII. REVISION HISTORY

<b>Date</b>	<b>Description</b>
February 1, 1985	First issued as an IS bulletin - Guidelines for Security of Computing Facilities.
November 12, 1998	IS-3 Reissued as Electronic Information Security.
April 18, 2003	IS-3 Sections IV and V revised.
February 8, 2005	IS-3 revised. Included new provisions to compliance with HIPAA. Changed scope to the entire University enterprise, changed encryption, and other standards.
July 27, 2007	Revision to IS-3 Electronic Information Security.
February 3, 2011	Minor revision to IS-3 Electronic Information Security.
March 1, 2011	Added requirement to follow the UC Privacy and Data Security Incident Response Plan.
TBD, 2017	Major rewrite to comply with academic research/grant requirements, Department of Education requirements outlined in the July 29, 2015 Dear Colleague Letter, conform to cyber insurance underwriting, updated conform to the Office of Civil Rights guidance on HIPAA compliance, conform to PCI 3.X, adapt to changes in security landscape and adopt a standards based approach to information security (ISO 27001 and 27002.)

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<p>Acceptable Use</p>	<p>A term referring to usage of Institutional Information and IT Resources that complies with UC’s security, privacy and ethics policies. Acceptable use depends on a variety of factors, including role. For example, a Workforce Member’s (employee’s) acceptable use policy may differ from a student’s.</p> <p>Example 1: The library offers complimentary wireless access to visitors. As part of the registration process, users review and agree to the terms that govern the use of this access, including not accessing or attempting to access UC IT Resources or facilities without proper authorization, or intentionally enabling others to do so.</p> <p>Example 2: Housing and Events offers complimentary wireless access to event attendees. As part of the registration process, users review and agree to the terms that govern use of this access, including not running programs that attempt to calculate or guess passwords, or that are designed to trick users into disclosing their passwords.</p>
<p>Affiliate</p>	<p>An individual who requires access to IT Resources or Institutional Information but is not explicitly paid by UC.</p> <p>Affiliates comprise a wide range of individuals including contractors, visiting scholars and retired Workforce Members who wish to retain service access.</p> <p>Affiliation status for individuals other than UC students, faculty and staff must be authorized by the Unit and can include, but is not limited to, those in program, research, contract or license relationships with UC.</p> <p>Example 1: A visiting Ph.D. scholar is in residence at a Location to conduct independent research, and isn’t receiving payment from UC.</p>

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	<p>Example 2: A vendor, on site to conduct repairs, requires network access to run diagnostics and perform online troubleshooting.</p>
<p>Availability Level</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The degree to which Institutional Information and IT Resources must be accessible and usable to meet business needs.</li> <li>2. Timely and reliable access to and use of accurate information.</li> </ol> <p>Example 1: Active Directory (AD) is used for sign-on to 20 separate applications and requires a high level of availability.</p> <p>Example 2: The Electronic Medical Record (EMR) system is used by medical center operations and requires a high level of availability.</p> <p>Example 3: Streaming music for a dining patio requires a low level of availability.</p> <p>Example 4: A website containing press releases from the previous five years requires a low level of availability.</p> <p>Example 5: A website containing upcoming event details requires a moderate level of availability.</p>
<p>Breach</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Any confirmed disclosure of Institutional Information to an unauthorized party.</li> <li>2. Unauthorized acquisition of information that compromises the security, confidentiality or integrity of Institutional Information maintained by UC.</li> <li>3. HIPAA: The acquisition, access, use or disclosure of protected health information (PHI) in a manner not permitted under the HIPAA Privacy Rule.</li> </ol>

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	<p>Example 1: Credit card numbers are harvested from a point of sale system.</p> <p>Example 2: Usernames and passwords are harvested from a campus server.</p> <p>Example 3: A USB drive is stolen, containing prospective and current students' names, addresses, incomes, phone numbers, high school GPA scores and Social Security numbers.</p> <p>Example 4: Electronic protected health information (PHI) is encrypted as the result of a ransomware attack.</p>
CIO	<p>Chief Information Officer. Senior executive responsible for information technology or information system functions throughout a Location.</p> <p>Example: IT Leadership Council member from a campus.</p>
CISO	<p>Chief Information Security Officer. A role responsible for security functions throughout a Location, including assisting in the interpretation and application of this policy.</p> <p>For some Locations, the appointment may be Information Security Officer (ISO). ISO and CISO are equivalent terms for policy application purposes.</p> <p>Example 1: A UC campus appoints an information security officer and assigns responsibilities outlined in this policy.</p> <p>Example 2: A UC campus appoints two CISOs: one for its main campus and one for the hospital and medical school. Each CISO is assigned the responsibilities outlined in this policy.</p>

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<p>CRE</p>	<p>Cyber-risk Responsible Executive. A senior management position that reports to the Location Chancellor or top Location executive. The CRE is accountable for all information risk assessments, security strategies, planning and budgeting, incident management and information security implementation.</p> <p>Example 1: Provost.</p> <p>Example 2: Chief Financial Officer (CFO).</p> <p>Example 3: Chief Information Officer (CIO).</p>
<p>Critical IT Infrastructure</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. IT Resources that manage unrelated sets of Institutional Information or sets of very large or particularly sensitive Institutional Information.</li> <li>2. IT Resources that meet two conditions: 1) A security “shared fate” among unrelated information systems is created via a dependency on the IT Resource; and 2) The default control set approach (a standard method for securing a system) is inappropriate given the risk, complexity or specialized nature of the IT Resource.</li> </ol> <p>Example 1: Active Directory, which maintains information about users, permissions and other security-related attributes.</p> <p>Example 2: A single departmental server performing many critical functions. The combination of these functions results in a system that requires special security measures.</p> <p>Example 3: Encryption key management system.</p> <p>Example 4: Firewall protecting Electronic Medical Record (EMR) system databases.</p>

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	<p>Example 5: Domain Name System outside of central IT.</p> <p>Example 6: Wired and wireless networking equipment that provides access to Institutional Information protected by regulation or contract (health information or credit card track data, for example).</p>
Emergency Change	<p>A change that must be deployed as soon as possible due to a critical need, such as protecting the Location from a threat or fixing an IT service error that is causing a major impact to this business. Documentation and reviews are produced after the change.</p> <p>Example 1: A vendor requires the application of a patch to resolve a major outage.</p> <p>Example 2: A critical application is down, and the technical team requires the installation of a diagnostic tool to troubleshoot the problem.</p>
Essential System	<p>A system required for the operation of a major function at a Location.</p> <p>See IS-12 for a detailed explanation.</p>
Event	See Information Security Event.
Evidence-Based Approach	<p>The conscientious, explicit and judicious use of evidence to demonstrate compliance or performance.</p> <p>Example: The system risk assessment requires monthly vulnerability testing. The requirement is calendared, and each month a ticket is opened and assigned. The scan is run and the output is attached to the ticket. Each remediation ticket references the scan ticket. The calendar entry, the ticket for the scan, the scan results and the ticket(s) for remediation all show evidence of compliance.</p>

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Guideline	<p>A collection of system-or procedure-specific recommendations for best practices. Guidelines are strongly recommended practices or steps, but they aren't required.</p> <p>Example 1: The Microsoft Windows hardening guide.</p> <p>Example 2: A vendor's best practice guide for securing a system.</p>
Incident	See Information Security Incident.
<p>Information Security Event</p> <p>Security Event</p>	<p>1. An identified occurrence of a system, service or network state indicating a possible breach of information security policy or failure of controls, or a previously unknown situation that may be security-relevant.</p> <p>2. An alert or notification created by a person, IT service, configuration item or monitoring tool related to information security. These typically require IT operations personnel to investigate or act, and can lead to an Information Security Incident (see definition below).</p> <p>Example 1: Antivirus software sends an alert when malware is detected.</p> <p>Example 2: Firewall log monitoring software logs remote connection attempts from an unexpected location.</p> <p>Example 3: Windows log monitoring records the creation of a new local administrator account on a point-of-sale terminal.</p> <p>Example 4: A user finds and exploits a bug that allows a re-do of a transaction that should be locked.</p>
Information Security	A compromise of the confidentiality, integrity or availability of



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Information Proprietor	
Integrity	<p>The consistency, accuracy and trustworthiness of data over its entire lifecycle.</p> <p>Example 1: An application administrator changes records to cover mistakes, causing a loss of integrity.</p> <p>Example 2: A technician makes changes to a report she wasn't authorized to access, causing a loss of integrity.</p> <p>Example 3: A storage device crashes and leaves files corrupted, causing a loss of integrity. A back-up is used to restore the file.</p> <p>Example 4: Data transmitted over a network or written to storage can have errors and become corrupt. Checksums (mathematical features in protocols and devices) are used to detect and often correct errors, maintaining the integrity of the data.</p> <p>Example 5: File permissions are set to allow only those authorized to change data in a file. This type of control protects that data by allowing only authorized users to make changes.</p>
ISMP	<p>Information Security Management Program. An overall program of identifying and managing information security risk within established UC and Location tolerances.</p> <p>The ISMP identifies the requirements for a Location-wide information security program and describes the established or planned management controls and common controls for meeting those requirements. It combines elements related to cybersecurity to manage risk to acceptable levels. This includes management commitment, policies, standards, procedures, work instructions, tools,</p>

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	<p>systems of record, guidelines and checklists.</p> <p>Example 1: A Location creates and documents an overall program that maps system-level requirements to local procedures, provides governance and risk management information, maps key roles to IS-3 roles, lists key contacts and identifies resources for compliance.</p> <p>Example 2: Student Affairs IT creates and documents a program explaining policies, work instructions, risk management, tools, conventions, training, personnel requirements and contractual requirements.</p>
ISO	Information Security Officer. See CISO.
ISO 27000/International Organization for Standardization 27000	<p>A collection of information security guidelines intended to help an organization implement, maintain and improve its information security management.</p> <p>Example 1: ISO 27002:2103 is a comprehensive set of controls focused on information security.</p> <p>Example 2: ISO 27005:2103 is focused on information security risk management.</p>
IT Resource(s)	<p>A term that broadly describes resources with computing and networking capabilities. These include, but are not limited to: personal and mobile computing devices, mobile phones, printers, network devices, industrial control systems (SCADA), access control systems, digital video monitoring systems, data storage systems, data processing systems, backup systems, electronic and physical media, biometric and access tokens, and other devices that connect to any UC network. This includes both UC-owned and personally owned devices.</p>

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	<p>Example 1: A Cisco firewall installed in a data center or building communications room.</p> <p>Example 2: An electrical and temperature monitoring system used for a building's LEEDS certification.</p> <p>Example 3: A video camera surveillance system.</p> <p>Example 4: A database server.</p> <p>Example 5: A network-attached printer, scanner and copier.</p> <p>Example 6: A computer, including a laptop, server or point-of-sale system.</p> <p>Example 7: A personal smartphone used to access email and manage a calendar.</p> <p>Example 8: A personal PC used to work remotely on UC business.</p> <p>Example 9: Personally owned computers, tablets or other devices connected to non-public campus networks or used to process, store or transmit Institutional Information.</p>
<p>IT Workforce Member</p>	<p>A Workforce Member who is assigned specific Information Technology duties or responsibilities.</p> <p>Example 1: The student recreation center employs a dedicated office manager who also has IT duties. Since the role includes IT responsibilities, this person is considered an IT Workforce Member.</p> <p>Example 2: The school of business employs a multimedia technician. Role responsibilities also include PC and equipment installation, patching, software installation and event support. Since the role</p>

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	<p>includes IT duties, the technician also has the additional responsibilities of IT Workforce Member.</p> <p>Example 3: The housing lock shop manages a wide range of electronic locks, servers, consoles and video systems. The lead technician supports these systems and manages the vendor contracts. Since the role includes IT duties, the technician also has the additional responsibilities of IT Workforce Member.</p> <p>Example 4: The central IT group has a group of database administrators. Since the role includes IT duties, the administrators also have the additional responsibilities of IT Workforce Members.</p>
<p>Least Privilege Access</p>	<p>The practice of limiting access to the minimum level that will allow normal functioning.</p> <p>Applied to employees, this principle translates to giving people the lowest level of access rights that they require to do their jobs.</p> <p>Applied to security architecture, each entity is granted the minimum system resources and authorizations that it needs to perform its function.</p> <p>Example 1: A cashier in a residential dining hall only needs permission and rights to log in to the register. The cashier does not need access to the register’s operating system or its administrative functions.</p> <p>Example 2: A financial analyst runs a monthly vacation and leave report for department managers. Someone else developed the report. The department created a special role in the reporting system that allows the analyst to run the vacation and leave report without accessing any other data.</p>

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	<p>Example 3: A program monitors a directory on the local machine for a file. The directory permissions can be set granularly. The program can run using a restricted account with only access to that directory.</p> <p>Example 4: The front desk attendant in the financial aid department has access to the sign-in system, which provides basic information about the appointment holder, the waiting area to use, and the likely wait time. The attendant can read, but not update, the records. Read access is all that's required for this specific role.</p>
Location	<p>A discrete organization or entity governed by the Regents of the University of California. Locations include, but are not limited to: campuses, laboratories, medical centers, and health systems, as well as satellite offices, affiliates or other offices in the United States controlled by the Regents of the University of California.</p> <p>Example 1: A specific UC campus.</p> <p>Example 2: A geographically separated office such as the UCPath office in Riverside, California.</p> <p>Example 3: The University of California's Office of Federal Governmental Relations located at the UC Washington Center in Washington, D.C.</p> <p>Example 4: The San Diego Supercomputer Center, an Organized Research Unit of the University of California, San Diego.</p>
Need-to-Know	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A method of isolating information resources that a user requires to do his/her job, but no more than that.</li> <li>2. A security, privacy, HIPAA and FERPA principle that requires access to data be granted based on a legitimate business justification, typically to perform a specific job duty.</li> </ol>

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	<p>HIPAA refers to this as “Minimum Necessary Requirement.” The HIPAA Privacy Rule generally requires UC to take reasonable steps to limit the use or disclosure of, and requests for, protected health information to the minimum level necessary to accomplish the intended purpose.</p> <p>In FERPA a legitimate educational interest is necessary for a Workforce Member to carry out his/her responsibilities in support of UC's educational mission. Think of legitimate educational interest as a "need-to-know" that is essential to carrying out job responsibilities related to education.</p> <p>Example 1: After going through the correct process, Sam, a UC student and information security intern, is authorized by the CISO to perform an investigation into the compromise of a system in University Advancement. Sam can collect and evaluate the websites visited because he has a legitimate and approved reason to do so.</p> <p>Example 2: The Registrar has determined that all Registrar’s office staff need access to student schedules and grades to do their jobs, i.e., they have a “need-to-know.”</p>
Normal Change	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A change that follows the defined steps of the change management process and includes required documentation and reviews.</li> <li>2. A change that is not an emergency change or a standard change.</li> </ol> <p>Example 1: A software development team completes a new sign-in application for offices on campus. Go-live is scheduled in two weeks. All testing and documentation is complete, or will be by then. The project manager completes the change request and supplies all the documentation for approval. The code and security reviews are</p>

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	<p>complete. There is a roll-back plan.</p> <p>Example 2: A Location’s Facilities department has scheduled a vendor to replace 25 video cameras in parking garages and near parking pay-stations. The maintenance manager completes the change request, and the vendor provides all the supporting documentation for the installations starting next week. The network and storage teams completed their reviews last week.</p> <p>Example 3: A new application is ready for deployment. All required documentation is complete and all reviews are complete. The system owner requests that the application be deployed.</p> <p>Example 4: A new wireless access point (WAP) is ready to be deployed. All required documentation and reviews are complete. The Network Manager requests approval for installing the new WAP.</p>
Procedure	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A collection of steps or processes that describe how the requirements of a specific job task, policy or standard are met.</li> <li>2. Documentation of required steps and activities necessary to adequately and consistently carry out critical information security processes.</li> </ol> <p>Example 1: The detailed steps and reviews required to approve a change request.</p> <p>Example 2: The detailed steps required to grant a new employee access to the network and systems.</p>
Proprietor	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The individual responsible for the Institutional Information and processes supporting a University function. Proprietor responsibilities include, but are not limited to: ensuring compliance with University policy regarding the classification, protection, access to, and release</li> </ol>

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	<p>of information according to procedures established by UC, the Location or the department, as applicable to the situation.</p> <p>2. The individual responsible for the IT Resources and processes supporting a University function. Proprietor responsibilities include, but are not limited to: ensuring compliance with University policy regarding the classification, protection, access to, location and disposition of IT Resources.</p> <p>3. An identified group, committee or board responsible for the Institutional Information and processes supporting a University function. Proprietor responsibilities include, but are not limited to: ensuring compliance with University policy regarding the classification, protection, access to, and release of information according to procedures established by UC, the Location or the department, as applicable to the situation.</p> <p>Example 1: The Registrar is the Proprietor of student data. Data extracted from a student information system (SIS) and loaded into the student recreation center (SRC) management system is still governed by the Registrar. The SRC cannot then release the data to a wellness program without review and approval by the Proprietor (Registrar).</p> <p>Example 2: The Math Department is appropriately approved by the Registrar to obtain an SIS extract of students who are taking a series of science, technology, engineering and math classes. The Department of Chemical and Environmental Engineering later asks the Math Department for the data for a similar analysis. The Registrar must approve the transfer.</p> <p>Example 3: A social sciences professor asks for a data dump from the system supporting Greek organizations. The Dean of Students, or designee, is the Institutional Information Proprietor and must review</p>

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	<p>the request and determine the rules for approval or denial.</p> <p>Example 4: University Advancement acquired student data from various colleges on campus, including majors, degree dates and GPA scores. It also purchased alumni data from third parties to aid fundraising efforts. Advancement is considering a cloud-hosted third party system. The Executive Director wants to determine what protections are required for the data. The Proprietor for the purchased data is the Executive Director of Advancement, and the Proprietor for student data related to graduation, majors and GPA is the Registrar. Therefore, the Executive Director of Advancement needs to work with the Registrar to classify the data.</p> <p>Example 5: The press called the campus Public Affairs department to get detailed admissions data for the upcoming year. The Public Affairs department contacts the Director of Admissions, who is the Proprietor for this information. Public Affairs will work with the Director of Admissions to determine what information can be released to the media.</p>
Protection Level	<p>An assigned number representing the level of protection needed for Institutional Information or an IT Resource.</p> <p>The scale goes from the minimum level of protection (Level 1) to the highest level of protection (Level 4) and is based on the potential harm resulting from unauthorized access, disclosure, loss of privacy, compromised integrity or violation of external obligations.</p> <p>Example 1: Public website data is intended for public availability and only needs the minimum protection level required for all Institutional Information and IT Resources. No concerns exist regarding who views the information (Level 1). Integrity concerns do exist, however, so appropriate protection must be in place.</p>

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	<p>Example 2: Electronic Medical Records are subject to specific regulatory and statutory requirements to protect patient privacy. These records require the highest level of protection (Level 4).</p> <p>Example 3: A researcher is collecting human subject data. The data set initially contains personally identifiable information. The researcher plans to later de-identify the data. Until the data is fully de-identified, it will require the highest level of protection (Level 4) due to statutory requirements for protecting specific types of personal information.</p> <p>Example 4: A researcher receives a large, multi-year federal grant. The grant requires compliance with several data protection guidelines and standards that generally correspond to UC Protection Level 3. The project will be classified according to these external obligations.</p>
<p>Researcher</p>	<p>A UC faculty member conducting research on behalf of UC. Also a Workforce Member.</p> <p>Example 1: Principal Investigator or other designation paid by UC.</p> <p>Example 2: Research collaborators at other institutions who are creating, securing and maintaining Institutional Information.</p> <p>Example 3: Staff research assistants.</p> <p>Example 4: Graduate student who is performing research and is creating, securing and maintaining Institutional Information.</p>
<p>Risk Assessment</p>	<p>A process to identify, rate and prioritize risk, as well as to document risk tolerance.</p> <p>Example 1: As part of its risk management process, a department identifies the likelihood and impact of specific harmful events and</p>

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	<p>uses these ratings to define risk levels for each event. The ratings identify and prioritize risks requiring action. The department develops a spreadsheet to facilitate and document the process and outcomes, as well as to increase visibility to risks and assist management in making decisions. Tabs in the spreadsheet guide the process and ask relevant questions.</p> <p>Example 2: A Location adopts an IT governance, risk management and compliance (GRC) tool. The GRC tool has workflows and risk rating systems to help identify, prioritize and manage information security risks.</p>
<p>Risk-Based Approach</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A process of allocating resources and defenses proportionate to the risks present in a specific context.</li> <li>2. A process for managing information security risk including: (i) a general overview of the risk management process; (ii) how organizations establish the context for risk-based decisions; (iii) how organizations assess risk in considering threats, vulnerabilities, likelihood and consequences/impact; (iv) how organizations respond to risk once determined; and (v) how organizations monitor risk over time with changing mission/business needs, operating environments and supporting information systems.</li> </ol> <p>Example 1: The Facilities department has an application that only runs on Windows XP, which is no longer supported. The system is attached to the network so technicians can also check email while using the application. The department plans to retire the application in two years. An alternative is available for \$15,000. Using a risk-based approach the system is removed from the network and the network port sealed. Another workstation is installed to allow email access for a cost of \$1,000. The department addressed the risk and allocated resources appropriately.</p>

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	<p>Example 2: The Financial Aid department has consolidated all document storage, including tax returns and all financial aid functions, into a new hosted service. The department loaded the previous five years of data to support the current graduate and undergraduate population. This represents about 20,000 records, most of which contain one or more Social Security numbers. The presence of Social Security numbers and other personally identifiable information in large numbers means that a compromise of this system would result in significant harm and cost. Allocation of resources to invest in a full set of controls to protect the system and data is warranted.</p>
<p>Risk Treatment Plan</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A pre-approved plan to provide a standard, scalable and repeatable response to address pre-identified risks in a specific situation.</li> <li>2. A set of information security controls and practices that manage risk within established UC and Location tolerances.</li> </ol> <p>Example 1: The Dining Unit is adopting a network-connected time clock that interfaces with the campus time and attendance reporting system. While this system does not provide payroll functions, it does interface with the payroll system. The Unit develops a Risk Treatment Plan for the time clocks that identifies the required technical and administrative controls. The CISO approves the Risk Treatment Plan. The Dining Unit and other units can now install additional time clocks following the pre-approved Risk Treatment Plan.</p> <p>Example 2: A central IT department sets a new standard for network switches. IT, units and contractors will install hundreds of these switches across the campus in the coming months. The IT team works with the CISO to develop a Risk Treatment Plan for the switch that identifies the required technical and administrative controls. Each unit and contractor can rely on the standard Risk Treatment Plan for</p>

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	each installation.
<p>Security Event</p> <p>Information Security Event</p>	<p>1. An identified occurrence of a system, service or network state indicating a possible breach of information security policy or failure of controls, or a previously unknown situation that may be security-relevant.</p> <p>2. An alert or notification created by a person, IT service, configuration item or monitoring tool related to information security. These typically require IT operations personnel to investigate or act, and can lead to a Security Incident (see definition below).</p> <p>Example 1: Antivirus software sends an alert when malware is detected.</p> <p>Example 2: Firewall log monitoring software logs remote connection attempts from an unexpected location.</p> <p>Example 3: Windows log monitoring records the creation of a new local administrator account on a point-of-sale terminal.</p> <p>Example 4: A user finds and exploits a bug that allows a re-do of a transaction that should be locked.</p>
Separation of Duties	<p>A process that addresses the potential for abuse of authorized privileges and helps reduce the risk of malicious activity without collusion.</p> <p>Separation of duties includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) dividing operational functions and information system support functions among different individuals and/or roles;</li> <li>(ii) dividing information system support functions between different individuals (e.g., system management, programming, configuration management, quality assurance and testing, and network security);</li> </ul>

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	<p>(iii) ensuring security personnel administering access control functions do not also administer audit functions.</p> <p>Example 1: The vendor payment application requires a voucher to be created by one user, the purchasing department to approve, and the payables manager to approve before payment can be issued. This example illustrates a separation of duties. It would require three distinct people to collude to conduct fraud.</p> <p>Example 2: The Student Health Services medical records application requires the user's manager to request access, and the department director and compliance office to approve. This example illustrates a separation of duties. No one person can request and approve access to medical records.</p>
Service Provider	<p>UC groups or organizations providing specific IT services to a Unit.</p> <p>Example 1: One Location provides managed computing resources and managed networking, which other Locations can use.</p> <p>Example 2: A central IT group at a UC campus provides computing resources or networking to Units.</p> <p>Example 3: An IT group in one Unit provides an application, such as a front desk sign-in system, to other Units.</p>
Standard	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A collection of specific and detailed requirements that must be met.</li> <li>2. Specifies the minimum set of administrative, technical or procedural controls required to meet the related policy.</li> </ol> <p>Standards will often change more rapidly than policy in response to new technology and new or evolving threats.</p>

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	<p>Example 1: Minimum security standards to connect to a Location network.</p> <p>Example 2: Data Classification Standard, a document that provides specific guidance on how to classify Institutional Information using specific rules, examples and samples of regulation to form a broad understanding of the different levels of Institutional Information.</p>
Standard Change	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A change to a service or infrastructure with an approach that has been pre-authorized by the change management process.</li> <li>2. A pre-authorized change that is low risk, relatively common, and follows a pre-defined, repeatable procedure or work instruction to implement.</li> </ol> <p>Example 1: A password reset.</p> <p>Example 2: Provision of standard equipment to a new Workforce Member.</p> <p>Example 3: A Location uses a particular switch as a standard in new installations and replacement. The deployment and installation processes are identical. The process has been proven over 18 previous installations and is now pre-approved for use.</p>
Standard Risk Treatment Plan	<p>A pre-approved template of common controls to manage information security risk for a specific use case.</p> <p>Example 1: A Location has 38 offices that have some form of sign-in system at the front desk. The CISO has approved a Standard Risk Treatment Plan that all 38 offices can implement to manage information security risk relating to their sign-in systems. The Units using these systems do not need to conduct a full risk assessment</p>

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	<p>and can adopt the Standard Risk Treatment Plan if the criteria for its use are met.</p> <p>Example 2: A Location has more than 500 public-facing websites. Currently 38 Units oversee the websites. The CISO has approved a Standard Risk Treatment Plan for “public-facing websites with public data and no log-in requirements.” The 38 Units do not need to conduct a full risk assessment and can adopt the Standard Risk Treatment Plan if the criteria for its use are met.</p>
Supplier	<p>An external, third-party entity that provides goods or services.</p> <p>These goods and services can include consulting services, hardware, integration services, software, systems, software as a service (SaaS) and cloud services. Non-UC entities Those who operate IT resources or handle Institutional Information are considered Suppliers for the purposes of this policy. A Vendor is a Supplier for the purposes of this policy.</p> <p>Example 1: A staffing firm that supplies consultants or temporary staff to perform job functions.</p> <p>Example 2: A software company that provides products and services to a Unit.</p> <p>Example 3: A local, value-added reseller that provides a range of products, installation services and consultants with specialized expertise.</p> <p>Example 4: A cloud service vendor that offers one or more software applications.</p>
Systemwide CISO	Systemwide Chief Information Security Officer. Responsible for security oversight throughout UC, such as protecting Institutional

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	<p>Information and IT Resources, assessing threats and vulnerabilities, leading incident management, developing security policy, educating staff regarding security, and reporting on security and risk to the UC president and appointed Regent committees.</p> <p>Example: UC Office of the President CISO who reports to the UCOP CIO with systemwide scope and responsibility.</p>
<p>UC Network</p>	<p>A broad term intended to include all networks managed by UC.</p> <p>Example 1: A wired network at the Location.</p> <p>Example 2: A wireless network requiring authentication.</p> <p>Example 3: A non-public network provided by the Location.</p> <p>Example 4: A virtual private network (VPN) provided by the Location.</p>
<p>UC System/UC</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A broad term intended to include all legal and operating entities managed by the Regents of the University of California.</li> <li>2. A comprehensive reference to the entire University of California system regardless of geographic location or function.</li> <li>3. All University campuses and medical centers, the UC Office of the President, UC-managed national laboratories and other University locations (campuses).</li> </ol> <p>Example 1: UC entities, such as UC-managed laboratories or medical centers, government affairs offices and campuses.</p> <p>Example 2: Degree and non-degree granting campuses.</p> <p>Example 3: UC Health System locations.</p>

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	<p>Example 4: Legislative offices in Sacramento, Calif., and Washington, D.C.</p> <p>Example 5: UC-managed laboratories.</p>
Unit	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A point of accountability and responsibility that results from creating/collecting or managing/possessing Institutional Information or installing/managing IT Resources. A Unit is typically a defined organization or set of departments.</li> <li>2. IT, academic, research, administrative or other entity operating within UC. This should be interpreted broadly to include all computing systems, network-attached devices (IT Resources) and data (Institutional Information).</li> <li>3. An academic school or administrative organization headed by a Unit Head.</li> </ol> <p>Example 1: Each of the following are Units when they budget, plan and manage IT Resources for their organization: Housing, Student Health, Parking, Capital Planning, Admissions, Accounting, College of Biological Sciences, College of Letters and Science, School of the Arts and Architecture, School of Music, Police Department.</p> <p>Example 2: A Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs determines that all student affairs departments will budget for and plan IT Resources centrally. Thus, student affairs departments like Housing, Dining, Admissions, Financial Aid, Student Health and others become the Unit.</p> <p><b>Special Note:</b> Information security risk management is a fundamental business concern, in the same way that fiscal planning and financial management are fundamental business concerns.</p>

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	Information security risk management must be considered alongside all other Unit activities to enable proper resourcing and prioritization.
Unit Head	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A generic term for Dean, Vice Chancellor or similarly senior role who has the authority to allocate budget and is responsible for Unit performance.</li> <li>2. A senior management role with the authority to allocate budget and responsibility for Unit performance.</li> <li>3. At a specific location or in a specific situation the following senior roles may also be Unit Heads: department chairs, assistant/associate vice chancellor (AVC), principal investigators, directors, senior directors or senior managers.</li> </ol> <p>Example 1: General managers in the Location dining operations department report to an executive director, who reports to an AVC. The Unit Head is the AVC, unless the AVC specifically designates the executive director as the Unit Head for the purposes of this policy.</p> <p>Example 2: The dean of a Location’s medical school is the top executive. The dean is the Unit Head.</p> <p>Example 3: A faculty member is running a large research project under a federal grant that involves faculty at other universities. The faculty member is the principal investigator and the Unit Head.</p> <p>Example 4: The University Librarian reports to the Chancellor and is responsible for the library’s budget, operations and performance. The University Librarian the Unit Head.</p>
Unit Information Security Lead	A term for the Workforce Member(s) assigned responsibility for tactical execution of information security activities associated with this policy. Activities include, but are not limited to: implementing security

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	<p>controls; reviewing and updating Risk Assessment and Risk Treatment plans; devising procedures for the proper handling, storing and disposing of electronic media within the Unit; and reviewing access rights. These activities are performed in consultation with the Unit Head.</p> <p>Example 1: The University Librarian is a Unit Head. The Librarian names the library’s Director of IT as the Unit Information Security Lead to carry out the responsibilities of this policy.</p> <p>Example 2: The Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs is the Unit Head and assigns the Senior Director of Technology Services the role of Unit Information Security Lead.</p> <p>Example 3: The Dean of the School of Engineering is the Unit Head. The School of Engineering consists of seven departments, each of which has a Computer Resource Manager. The Dean assigns each Computer Resource Manager the role of Unit Information Security Lead for his/her department.</p>
<p>Utility Program</p>	<p>A program that performs a specific task, usually related to managing system resources. Operating systems contain several utilities for managing networks, users, disk drives, printers and other devices.</p> <p>Utility programs can be found in several complex systems such as developer tools, relational databases and middleware.</p> <p>Developers often write small programs that help debug complex applications or automate tasks. These are considered utility programs.</p> <p>Example 1: The Microsoft Visual Studio development tool set, which is used by application developers.</p>

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	<p>Example 2: The Oracle SQL Developer tool set, which is used by database administrators and application developers using the Oracle relational database platform.</p> <p>Example 3: A developer writes a small application to run with elevated rights to delete temporary files because the main application does not always remove them.</p> <p>Example 4: A developer writes a script that looks for processes that aren't responding and restarts them.</p>
Vendor	See Supplier.
Workforce Manager	<p>Person who supervises/manages other personnel or approve work or research on behalf of the University.</p> <p>Example 1: The general manager of a dining location supervises career and student workers (Workforce Members). The general manager is a Workforce Manager.</p> <p>Example 2: The Assistant Vice Chancellor (AVC) of enrollment management supervises directors of admissions, financial aid, recruitment, registrar and other support services. The AVC of enrollment management is a Workforce Manager.</p> <p>Example 3: The director of capital projects manages a staff of administrative and contract project-based staff. The director is a Workforce Manager.</p> <p>Example 4: A dean approves a principal investigator (PI)/researcher to hire staff and coordinate student volunteers to support a research project. The dean is the Workforce Manager of the PI, and the PI is the Workforce Manager of the hired and volunteer staff.</p>
Workforce Member	Employee, faculty, staff, volunteer, contractor, researcher, student

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	<p>worker, student supporting/performing research, medical center staff/personnel, clinician, student intern, student volunteer, or person working for UC in any capacity or other augmentation to UC staffing levels.</p> <p>Example 1: An employee.</p> <p>Example 2: A student worker.</p> <p>Example 3: A registered volunteer.</p> <p>Example 4: A visiting researcher who is authorized to work at UC.</p> <p>Example 5: A temporary worker hired through a staffing firm.</p> <p>Example 6: A student or visiting student who trains or collaborates with other Workforce Members.</p> <p>Example 7: Unit Head.</p> <p>Example 8: Unit Information Security Lead.</p>

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