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ABSTRACT

This bibliography lists sources of information to help college and university computer center staff to interpret copyright law as it relates to software, optical disks and other formats used in multimedia development and classroom presentations. The document is designed to be useful in answering faculty and student questions, formulating campus policies, and building an information collection for dealing with a wide range of copyrighted materials. The 58 items in the bibliography include books, articles, government documents, ftp (file transfer protocol) files, brochures and listserv discussion groups. The materials address the following topic areas: (1) copyrights in the academic environment; (2) software and copyright; (3) copyright and new media technologies; (4) online copyright discussion and newsgroups; and (5) general guides to copyright. (KRN)

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Overview

College and university computer center staff increasingly find themselves called upon to interpret copyright law, especially as it relates to software, optical disks and other formats used in multimedia development and classroom presentations. This document lists several sources of information to help centers answer faculty and student questions, formulate campus policies, and build an information collection for dealing with a wide range of copyrighted materials.

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SPA Self-Audit Kit. Audit kit for corporations to use on a voluntary basis to examine their software use practices and determine if illegal copies are in use. Available free of charge by contacting the SPA at 202-452-1600, or by sending SPA a written request on company letterhead to above address.

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anonymous ftp via *ariel.unm.edu* or IP address *129.24.8.1*. Look in directory */ethics*.

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Online Copyright Discussion and News Groups

CNI-COPYRIGHT

Coalition for Networked Information Copyright and Intellectual Property Forum.

Email address (Internet): CNI-COPYRIGHT@CNI.ORG

Subscribe by sending email to: LISTSERV@CNI.ORG

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ETHICS-L

ETHICS-L is devoted to discussions of ethics in computing. Some of the discussions include copyright issues.

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Electronic newsgroups on the Internet that include copyright and computing discussions:

misc.int-property
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