Internet Use Policy

I. GENERAL ACCESS TO INTERNET RESOURCES

The library provides workstations for no-fee public access to the internet as an informational and educational resource. Resources available on the internet complement and supplement the traditional and electronic collections of the Chalmer Davee Library.

The University of Wisconsin System Policy on Use of University Information Technology Resources states that it is the policy of the University of Wisconsin System to afford broad resources, including internet access, for university students, faculty and staff for use in fulfilling the university’s missions, and for appropriate university-related activities. Therefore, all internet resources accessible in the library are provided equally to all library users, consistent with the university’s public service functions.

II. INTERNET CONTENT

The Chalmer Davee Library has no control over the information accessed through the internet, and is not responsible for the nature of, nor the accuracy of, any information accessed on the internet. Library staff does not routinely scrutinize the information or images displayed on any user's computer screen.

The library is not responsible for inadvertent exposure of minors or adults to potentially offensive material and is not responsible for what a minor or adult may locate on the internet. As with other library materials, restriction of a minor’s access to the internet is the responsibility of the parent or legal guardian. The library does not filter internet content.

III. ACCEPTABLE USES

The library expects that all users of electronic information resources such as the internet will act responsibly and legally, consistent with the purpose for which these resources are provided. This includes:

• Using resources for educational and informational purposes only.

• Complying with all state and federal law while using the internet.

• Complying with University and System policies, which may include but are not limited to Use of Copyrighted Material, Sexual Harassment, and Conduct on University Lands.
• Complying with university licensing agreements.

• Not making unauthorized changes to the setup or configuration of the software or hardware.

• Not using library internet workstations to promote commercial ventures.

IV LIMITATIONS

• Library research has priority.

• Games, music, and videos may not be downloaded on public internet workstations.

• Users may be asked to limit their internet sessions when others are waiting.

• Violation of library policies and university rules may result in loss of access privileges, university disciplinary action, or criminal prosecution.

V. POLICY ENDORSEMENTS

The Chalmer Davee Library endorses the American Library Association’s Library Bill of Rights and Statement on Access to Electronic Information, Services, and Networks.

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