POLICY

Number: 0-502

Title: Appropriate Use of Information Technology

- An account appears to be engaged in unusual or unusually excessive activity; or
- It is otherwise required or permitted by law.

Any such monitoring of communications, other than what is made accessible by the user, required by law, or necessary to respond to disruptions of network operations, must be authorized in advance by the appropriate Vice President or designee in consultation with the Office of the General Counsel.

IV. PROCESS STEPS

USF departments, units, and divisions shall advise users in their areas of these policies and may also issue additional "conditions of use" for facilities under their control. Such conditions must be consistent with this USF policy but may provide additional detail, guidelines, restrictions and/or enforcement mechanisms appropriate to their area. Units may require signatures of individuals acknowledging an understanding of these policies and conditions before providing access.

V. <u>VIOLATIONS</u>

Violations of this policy may lead to suspension of the user's computer account ID and/or disciplinary action (up to termination or expulsion) to be handled by Student Affairs, deans, or directors as appropriate. In addition, Chapter 815, Florida Statutes, the "Florida Computer Crimes Act," describes offenses which are crimes under Florida law. These offenses include unauthorized modification of programs or data, unauthorized disclosure or use of confidential