

Best Practices for Copyright Compliance

Adherence to copyright laws and guidelines not only protects both individual faculty members and WPI from liability, but also promotes professional standards and practices.

Other motivators:

- Commitment to following CONFU Guidelines permits more flexible online uses
- Legitimate electronic access to documents can save students costs
- Legitimate electronic access to documents can save the university funds
- E-readings links in myWPI permits more ad-hoc distribution of useful links

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Request permissions for copyrighted works

- [Requesting Permission](#)
- [Columbia University Permissions Guide](#)
- [Columbia University Model Permission Letter](#)
- [Copyright Clearance Center](#) (charges fee)

Copyright Compliant Course Readings

- [Copyright Compliant Course Readings & Coursepacks](#)

To create legitimate links to electronic content available within subscribed library resources, view our guide: [Delivering Content Through myWPI: Creating e-Reading Links to Full Text Articles & Books in Subscription Databases \(PDF\)](#)

Protect Your Own Rights

- [Scholarly Communication & Author Rights](#) (WPI Gordon Library)
- [Creative Commons](#) flexible copyright alternatives for authors
- Create Change (co-sponsored by [Association of Research Libraries](#), [Association of College and Research Libraries](#), and SPARC with support from the [Gladys Krieble Delmas Foundation](#))

Get Informed

Below are useful titles in Gordon Library for learning more.

- Copyright in the New Millennium: The Impact of Recent Changes to U.S. Copyright Law. Presented by American Association of Law Libraries. Recorded with permission on May 21, 1999 from a satellite transmission. Two videocassettes. (General Collection: KF2995 C7 1999 video)
- Lindsey, Marc. Copyright Law on Campus. Pullman, WA: Washington State University Press, c2003. (General Collection: KF3030.1 L56 2003)
- Stim, Richard. Getting Permission: How to License & Clear Copyrighted Materials Online & Off. Berkeley: Nolo, 2004. (General Collection: KF3002 Z9 S75 2004)
- Crews, Kenneth D. Copyright Law for Librarians and Educators : Creative Strategies and Practical Solutions. Chicago : American Library Association, 2006. (General Collection KF2995 C74 2005)