Policy Title: Information Input Validation

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Responsible Office: Office of Information Technology

Responsible Executive: CIO

Applies to: Office of Information Technology

POLICY STATEMENT

Information input validation assists in safeguarding the University’s information system from malicious or unintended entries by any users.

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STAKEHOLDER(S)

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PURPOSE

This policy is intended to establish the policy for information input validation on the University’s information system.

REQUIREMENTS

The information system checks the validity of information inputs.

Supplemental Guidance: Rules for checking the valid syntax and semantics of information system inputs (e.g., character set, length, numerical range, acceptable values) are in place to verify that inputs match specified definitions for format and content. Inputs passed to interpreters are prescreened to prevent the content from being unintentionally interpreted as commands.

VIOLATIONS

Violations of this policy will be addressed in accordance relevant University and Commonwealth of Virginia policies, including University Policy 32-01 and Department of Human Resources Management Policy 1.75. The appropriate level of disciplinary action will be determined on an individual case basis by the appropriate executive or designee, with sanctions up to or including termination or expulsion depending upon the severity of the offense.

INTERPRETATION

The Information Security Officer is responsible for official interpretation of this policy. Questions regarding the application of this policy should be directed to the Office of Information Technology. The Information Security Officer reserves the right to revise or eliminate this policy.

PUBLICATION

This policy shall be widely published and distributed to the University community. To ensure timely publication and distribution thereof, the Responsible Office will make every effort to:

1. Communicate the policy in writing, electronic or otherwise, to the University community within 14 days of approval;

2. Submit the policy for inclusion in the online Policy Library within 14 days of approval;

3. Post the policy on the appropriate SharePoint Site and/or Website; and

4. Educate and train all stakeholders and appropriate audiences on the policy’s content, as necessary. Failure to meet the publication requirements does not invalidate this policy.
REVIEW SCHEDULE

- Next Scheduled Review: 05/28/2015
- Approval by, date: Office of Information Technology and 05/28/2014
- Revision History:
  - Supersedes (previous policy): OIT 62.8.1710 Information Input Validation

RELATED DOCUMENTS

Virginia Commonwealth State policy SEC501-08 Information Security Standard