Policy Title: Identification and Authentication Policy and Procedures

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Responsible Office: Office of Information Technology

Responsible Executive: CIO

Applies to: Office of Information Technology

POLICY STATEMENT

Comprehensive and well-defined identification and authentication policies are necessary to maintain a secure information system. Identification and authentication procedures can be developed for the security program in general and for a particular information system, when required. The University risk management strategy is a key factor in the development of an identification and authentication policy.

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PURPOSE

This control is intended to establish the policy and procedures that are required for the effective implementation of selected security controls and control enhancements in the identification and authentication family.

REQUIREMENTS

NSU develops, disseminates, and reviews/updates at least annually:

1. A formal, documented identification and authentication policy that addresses purpose, scope, roles, responsibilities, management commitment, coordination among organizational entities, and compliance; and

2. Formal, documented procedures to facilitate the implementation of the identification and authentication policy and associated identification and authentication controls.

VIOLATIONS

Violations of this policy will be addressed in accordance with 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 62.8.701 Identification and Authentication Policy and Procedures

RELATED DOCUMENTS

Virginia Commonwealth State policy SEC501-08 Information Security Standard