

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA-CHAPEL HILL
REPORT OF THE COPYRIGHT COMMITTEE TO
THE FACULTY COUNCIL

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The Copyright Committee is pleased to announce that the campus copyright policy was approved in August, 2001 and is now available on the university website at: <http://www.unc.edu/campus/policies/copyright.html>. This was the primary task of the committee for spring, 2001. After review by legal staff at General Administration, the committee spent the fall reviewing the policy and making some recommendations for editorial changes to the policy to Chancellor Moeser. To date, no disputes concerning copyright ownership have arisen under the policy.

Two additional policy matters occupied the remainder of the fall semester for the committee. First, the committee was asked to review the report of the Libraries' Electronic Reserve committee. It did so and requested that Dr. Joe Hewitt ask the library committee to extract from the report the copyright policy statement so that it can be made available to faculty and students who have questions about electronic reserves.

The final activity concerns review of an online copyright law education document for students that the Office of Computer Policy at ATN had drafted. The committee made many recommendations and suggestions to this document, which is now available on the web at http://www.unc.edu/policy/copyright_primer.html.

The primary activity for the spring will be to further develop the campus policy on use of copyrighted work, reviving and expanding work done about five years ago.

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