ANNUAL REPORT OF THE UNIVERSITY COMMITTEE ON COPYRIGHT TO THE
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 Charge of the Committee
The committee represents to the chancellor and the University community the
concerns of faculty and other users and creators of scholarly information. The
committee’s functions include: monitoring trends in such areas as institutional or
consortial copyright use policies, changes in copyright ownership models, and
guidelines for fair use of information in all formats; identifying areas in which policy
development is needed and recommending to the chancellor new or revised
institutional policies and guidelines; cooperating with the administration to propose
and monitor the application of University policies and guidelines regarding
ownership and use of copyrighted or licensed scholarly works; and assisting in
identifying educational needs of the faculty and others related to compliance with
copyright policies and guidelines, and advising on appropriate ways to address
those needs.

Activities in 2018/19

This year the Committee’s activities have focused on monitoring trends and
developments that pertain to copyright in higher education.

The Committee has continued to monitor the progress of implementing the changes
to the Copyright Policy that we recommended in 2016 to better accommodate some
situations pertaining to copyright ownership of software. These recommendations
led to the need to make corresponding changes in the university’s Patent and
Invention Policy. Recently, we learned that the university’s Policy Review
Committee is currently considering those proposed changes.

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