

# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE UNIVERSITY COMMITTEE ON COPYRIGHT TO THE FACULTY COUNCIL

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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 2019/2020

The Committee's activities this year focused on monitoring trends and developments that pertain to copyright in higher education. These included a discussion of Amanda Reid's most recent article on fair use; information on significant copyright court cases of interest (*Cambridge v. Patton*, *Allen v. Cooper*, *Georgia v. PublicResource.org*, *Google v. Oracle*); and discussion on the use of Creative Commons licenses. The committee also considered some matters that arose during the deliberations of the Open Access Policy Review Working Group but took no action.