

Copyright Concerns for Graduate Students and Data Management Planning

Who: Attendance of ONE session is **required** of all new Electrical Engineering Graduate Students

When/Where:

Session 1

Tuesday, September 25, 2012
Math Sciences, Room 4000A
10:00 am -11:30 am

Session 2

Friday, September 28, 2012
Engineering IV, Room 54-134
2:00 pm—3:30 pm

Speakers: Martin Brennan, Copyright and Licensing Librarian
Tony Aponte, Electrical Engineering Librarian

Each session will provide an overview of library collections and services. In addition, we will cover topics in this session that will be important to grad students in their roles as authors, teachers, and researchers: protecting the copyright of your work, using copyrighted materials in the educational setting, and data management planning.

Library Collections and Services

Did you know the UCLA Library has over 9 million items? Did you know a significant amount of the science and engineering collections are available online? Do you know how to find those most relevant to your research? Find out how the library can help you meet your information needs.

Protecting the copyright of your own work

If you plan to publish, you will need to make deliberate decisions about how and where you will publish that work, and copyright is a key factor in those decisions. Don't sign an agreement with your publisher without reading it fully or understanding its implications. You might unknowingly surrender your copyright and, along with it, the rights to use and reuse your work as you wish. Find out how to read author agreements and learn strategies for negotiating agreements that protect your rights to your intellectual property.

Using Copyrighted materials in the educational setting

The 1976 Copyright Act provides important exceptions to the rights of the copyright holder that are specifically aimed at nonprofit educational uses of copyrighted works. Find out about these exceptions (including how to apply the fair use doctrine), and learn some general best practices for online and classroom use.

Data Management Plans

Making a plan for managing data before beginning a research project and then following that plan throughout the research life cycle is essential to ensure usability, preservation, and access to the data. It may also be a funding requirement; many federal agencies and other funders now require grant applicants to include a data management plan with grant proposals. The UCLA Library can help researchers with data management.