Division of Social Sciences Computer Policy

Computer Replacement

As a result of budget reductions during the 2008-09 and 2009-10 fiscal years, division funds are no longer available for computer replacement. Department, start-up, or grant funds should be used to replace existing computers. The computers must be purchased by division computer support staff and are the property of the university.

Faculty may donate private funds to their accounts to purchase computers, but the contribution is NOT tax deductible. If faculty donates funds for the purchase of computers, they must be purchased by divisional computer support staff and are the property of the university.

Computers Purchased with Department, Start-up or Grant Funds

Computers purchased with these fund sources will be re-deployed by the division when replaced with a newer machine. The originating department will have first priority for the computer that is replaced. However, if the department does not want the computer, the division will re-deploy the computer.

Computers Purchased with Private Funds

Personally-owned systems are not supported, and the use of university-licensed software, software updates or patches on them is not permitted. Division computer support staff will not provide service.

Retiring Faculty

Retiring, ladder rank faculty who have been awarded the title "emeriti" may take a computer with them on indefinite loan. These computers remain the property of the university.

Support for Active Emeriti

It is the policy of the Division of Social Sciences that the division's active emeriti will receive locally-provided computing support to the same extent, and in the same manner, it is provided to non-emeriti faculty.

For the purposes of the Active Emeriti Local Computing Support Policy, "active emeriti" are defined as those who have been recalled by their departments to teach, conduct research, or provide service at UC Santa Cruz. Active emeriti include those with the title "Professor Recalled," whether paid or unpaid, and those with the title "Research Professor."

An active emeriti may make a monetary donation to her or his research account and purchase a new computer using those funds. Computers must be purchased by divisional computer support staff and become property of the university. The contribution is NOT tax deductible

Just as for non-emeriti faculty, personally-owned systems are not supported, and the use of university-licensed software on them is not permitted.