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CAMPUS POLICY
NYUAD High Performance Computer (HPC) Terms of Use Policy

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Responsible Officer: HPC Manager, NYUAD

PURPOSE OF POLICY

This policy details the terms of use for the NYUAD HPC.

SCOPE OF POLICY

This policy applies to NYUAD’s HPC equipment, facilities and associated services.

DEFINITIONS

These definitions apply to these terms as they are used in this policy:

HPC  High Performance Computer
Terms of Use  Terms of Use are the rules and conditions under which a particular service may be used. They are particular to and set expectations for that service, and typically refer to and rely on conformance with all relevant University policies, unless specifically exempted.

POLICY

1. STATEMENT/DESCRIPTION OF THE TERMS OF USE

NYUAD’s Technology Group provides the High Performance Computing Service (NYUAD HPC) to full-time NYUAD faculty members; NYUAD Institute funded researchers, and sponsored individuals in order to assist the research community by providing access to several high performance clusters and high-speed networks equipped with a wide variety of research software packages.

Use of the computers, software, and components of the NYUAD HPC Service is subject to USA federal, New York State, UAE Abu Dhabi, and other applicable laws; all University rules and
policies, including the Policy on Responsible Use of NYU Computers & Data, the Responsibilities of All NYU Computer, Data, and Network Users, and the World Wide Web Policies and Procedures, found at http://www.nyu.edu/its/policies; all policies issued by the Science and Research Faculty Advisory Group, including the HPC Acceptable Use Policy, HPC Storage Allocation Policy, HPC Automatic File Deletion Policy, and HPC Hosting and Equipment Life Cycle Policy found at (URL to be provided); all applicable contracts and licenses; and these Terms of Use. NYU reserves the right to change, at any time, at its sole discretion, the provisions of the service and these Terms of Use.

Security requirements, especially for Restricted data (see Data Classification Table), should be followed at all times according to the Policy on Computer and Data Security, the Data and System Security Standard, and the Data System Classification Standard.

2. **ELIGIBILITY**

NYUAD HPC resources are available to full-time NYUAD, faculty, NYUAD Institute funded researchers, and other NYU faculty. Upon eligible faculty approval, sponsored accounts are available to individuals in the categories listed below.

3. **SPONSORSHIP**

Full-time NYUAD faculty members and NYUAD Institute funded researchers may sponsor individuals in the following categories:
- NYUAD students enrolled in a degree program
- Scholars visiting NYUAD
- NYUAD research staff
- Non-NYU researchers with whom the NYUAD faculty sponsor is actively collaborating

Requests for sponsored accounts may be submitted by completing the NYUAD HPC Account Request Form found at https://hpc.nyu.edu/accounts. The account will be created after the faculty or research sponsor has approved and verified the request.

HPC faculty sponsors and researchers will receive an email request from the NYUAD HPC Administrator to verify and acknowledge each of the following:
- Approve/disapprove the individual’s association with the faculty sponsor
- Approve/disapprove the purpose for which the individual is requesting an account on NYUAD HPC resources
- Agree to supervise the sponsored individual, to the extent necessary, to ensure proper use of the NYUAD HPC resources and compliance with all applicable policies
• Agree to respond promptly to account-related requests from HPC staff

All sponsored accounts will be created for a period of 12 months, at which point a renewal is required by the HPC faculty sponsor or researcher to continue to use the HPC clusters. Information on sponsorship, accounts, and renewals can be found at http://wikis.nyu.edu/display/NYUHPC/Request+or+Renew. Documentation regarding sponsorship requests and approvals/ disapprovals will be stored in NYU Registry.

Access and use of the HPC Service is routinely monitored and recorded, sponsors and users are urged to consult the HPC Acceptable Use Policy at (URL to be provided) prior to accessing the service or issuing sponsorship.

4. CONTENT OWNERSHIP
Account holders, including those with shared space, are responsible for and own the content residing in his or her allocated space on the NYUAD HPC clusters, subject to the normative rights and obligations in the academic community as these are expressed in the University rules and regulations.

5. ALLOCATIONS AND RETENTIONS
Each individual researcher is assigned a standard storage allocation in /home and /archive. Researchers who use more than their allocated space will be blocked from submitting jobs until they clean their space and reduce their usage, or in the case of /archive, purchase additional storage. Users are urged to consult the HPC Storage Allocation Policy at (URL to be provided) for more information.

6. SUPPORT AND SERVICE AVAILABILITY
Service requests, including inquiries about hosting and management of clusters, using resources, research, grant planning, or affiliations and collaborations should be directed to nyuad.it.help@nyu.edu. Emails will be directed as appropriate and addressed within two business days, excluding weekends and University holidays.

7. NYU DISCLAIMER
The content, data, and information residing on the account holder’s allocated space within the NYUAD HPC system are the property of the account holder and do not constitute official NYU content. NYU makes no representations or warranties of any kind, express or implied, as to the HPC Service operation or the information, content or materials included. To the full extent
permissible by applicable law, NYU disclaims all warranties, express or implied with respect to this service, including but not limited to implied warranties of merchantability and fitness for any particular purpose. NYU will not be liable for any damages of any kind arising from the use of or inability to use this service. By use of HPC systems, the account holder expressly agrees to use this service at his or her own risk.

8. CONTACTS

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