

# University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff

## Faculty/Staff Handbook

Policy: **PEER-TO-PEER SHARING**

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The primary purpose of this policy is to inform, educate and set expectations for the members of the university community of their individual and corporate responsibilities towards the use of Peer-to-Peer applications using the University's network.

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