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The Mission of Valdosta State University's Information Security Services is:

- Ensuring the ability of Valdosta State University to grow and fulfill its mission in the face of an ever changing risk environment.
- Aiding the University in advancing a technologically sound education medium.
- Maintaining the role of an active and responsible participator in the Internet world.
- Ensuring the integrity of the University's technology based teaching medium

The Information Security Department strives towards these goals by implementing, measuring and continuing to promote user awareness in the field of information security. The purposes of these goals are to strengthen the resilience of the University by limiting the effect of security related exposures through creating and maintaining policies and procedures to ensure business continuity. Developing and nourishing plans and methods for becoming both proactive and effectively reactive to threats that endanger the strategic plans of the University and the University system is ultimately the purpose for such endeavors.

With this mission and these goals as the objectives for the actions of Information Security, the following initiatives are put forth.

<b>Goal</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Evidence</b>	<b>VSU or USG Goals Supported</b>
Valdosta State University will address the issue of information security as a campus objective	Complete	Employment of Chief Information Security Officer	'04 VSU #6 '04 USG Mission '04 USG #6 '04 USG #2
Valdosta State University will create an information security organization to take responsibility for all information security issues as described by ISO 17799	Complete	Creation of Information Security Taskforce	'04 VSU #1 '04 VSU #7 '04 USG Mission '04 USG #6
Information Security will obtain a commitment from senior management to approve and enforce security policies	Complete	Acceptable Use and Information Security policies signed by VSU President	'04 USG #2 '04 USG #3 '04 VSU #4
Information Security will compile a list of campus information assets	In Progress	Initial questionnaire of assets completed by numerous departments / colleges	'04 VSU #1 '04 VSU #4 '04 USG #3
Information Security will organize the list of university information assets based on the assets classification scheme and the asset interdependencies	In Progress	Initial questionnaire of assets completed by numerous departments / colleges. Asset classification scheme in draft stages	'04 VSU #1 '04 VSU #4 '04 USG #3
Information Security will identify the appropriate "Best Practices" for each of the campus' assets	In Progress	Several "best practices" have been identified through meetings of most USG institutions	'04 VSU #1 '04 VSU #4 '04 USG #3
Information Security will facilitate the development of acceptable standards for the campus' assets	In Planning	Identified need with policies and "best practices"	'04 VSU #1 '04 VSU #4 '04 USG #3 '04 USG #7
Information Security will facilitate the identification or development of acceptable guidelines for information resources	In Planning	Identified need with policies and "best practices"	'04 VSU #1 '04 VSU #4 '04 USG #3 '04 USG #7 '04 USG #9
Information Security will facilitate the creation of acceptable procedures for providing and protecting campus information assets	In Progress	Identified need with policies and "best practices"	'04 VSU #1 '04 VSU #4 '04 USG #3 '04 USG #7 '04 USG #9

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Information Security will provide or facilitate the technical security training for Technology Staff	In Planning	Have identified several possible vendors	'04 VSU #6 '04 USG #3 '04 USG #4
Information Security will provide the campus information resource users with effective security awareness	In Progress	Obtained online "Vista" course through collaboration of BOR / ACIT Security Awareness Group	'04 VSU #6 '04 USG #3 '04 USG #4
Information Security will work with the campus community to develop or adopt procedures for information disaster recovery	In Progress	Questions and planning collaboration with Information Technology and Environmental Health and Safety	'04 USG #6 '04 USG #7 '04 USG #9 '04 SU #1 '04 VSU #4
Information Security will work with the campus community to develop or adopt procedures for business continuity in regards of information resources	In Progress	Questions and planning collaboration with Information Technology and Environmental Health and Safety	'04 USG #6 '04 USG #7 '04 USG #9 '04 VSU #1 '04 VSU #4
Valdosta State University will control access to information systems by protecting from improper information disclosure, modification, and deletion by either physical or virtual access	In Progress	Item addressed in Information Security Policy via restricted room access and requirement of password for virtual access. Gathered requirement information from Plant Operations and Auxiliary Services.	'04 USG #6 '04 USG #7 '04 USG #9 '04 VSU #1 '04 VSU #4
Information Security will address the physical and environmental issues surrounding information resources by working with various campus departments to identify areas of strengths and weaknesses	In Progress	Collaboration with Information Technology, Environmental Health and Safety, and Plant Operations to address electrical, environmental, and disaster issues	'04 VSU #1 '04 VSU #4 '04 USG #6 '04 USG #7 '04 USG #9

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Valdosta State University will establish internal procedures for the secure handling and storage of its electronically-stored information to prevent unauthorized access or misuse	In Progress	Draft procedures for destruction of data have been implemented in test environments. Coordination with Records Retention Office required.	'04 VSU #4 '04 VSU #1 '04 USG #6 '04 USG #9 '04 USG #7
When hiring new personnel, Valdosta State University Information Security will coordinate with other Valdosta State University departments to implement security procedures to minimize the risks of human error, fraud, and misuse of resources	In Progress	Collaboration with Human Resources and Public Safety required. Background checks have been implemented.	'04 VSU #6 '04 USG #4
Information Security will work with the Office of Legal Affairs to reduce the risk from Third Party access vulnerabilities	In Planning	Office of Legal Affairs will coordinate contractual requirements. Information Security will instigate contractual need.	'04 VSU #1 '04 VSU #4 '04 USG #6 '04 USG #7 '04 USG #9
Information Security will provide senior administration with a risk assessment of information resources	In Planning	Few vendors have been contacted.	'04 VSU #1 '04 VSU #4 '04 USG #6 '04 USG #7 '04 USG #9
Based on a periodic risk assessment, Information Security will review, evaluate and update relevant policies and procedures	In Planning	Future modifications to policies have been noted.	'04 VSU #1 '04 VSU #4 '04 USG #6 '04 USG #7 '04 USG #9