

A U S T R A L I A									
STANDARD			DATA CLASSIFICATION STANDARD						
Area covered			This Standard is University-wide						
Version	1.0	Approval date	11 March 2016	Effective date	1 March 2016	Next review	March 2019		
Standard Statement									
Purpose		The UNSW Data Classification Standard is a framework for assessing data sensitivity, measured by the adverse business impact a breach of the data would have upon the University. This standard for the University community has been created to help effectively manage information in daily mission related activities.  Determining how to protect & handle information depends on a consideration of the information's type, importance, and usage. The standards outline the minimum level of protection necessary when performing vertain activities, based on the classification of the information being handled.  The classification applies to University employees (faculty, staff, student employees) and other covered individuals (e.g., affiliates, vendors, independent contractors, etc.) in their handling of University data, information and records in any form (paper, digital text, image, audio, hideo, microfilm, etc.) during the course of conducting University business (astministrative, financial, education, research or service).  Responsible Executive: Director, Business Reporting & Intelligence, & Data Governance (BRIDG)  Responsible Office: Business Reporting & Intelligence, & Data Governance Office k.carruthers@unsw.edu.au							
Scope		This standard applies to all data or information that is created, collected, stored or processed by the UNSW, in electronic or non-electronic formats.  This Standard applies to all faculty, staff and third-party agents of the University as well as any other University affiliates who are authorised to access UNSW data.							
Are Local Documents on this subject permitted?		☐ Yes	spe	s, subject to any ecifically restricte Document		⊠ No			
Standard Process and Actions									

## 1. Responsibilities

Data owners are responsible for appropriately classifying data.

Data stewards are responsible for labelling data with the appropriate classification and applying required and suggested safeguards.

Data users are responsible for complying with Data Governance Policy, related Standards and Guidelines.

## 2. Classifications

All data at the University shall be assigned one of the following classifications. Collections of diverse information should be classified as to the most secure classification level of an individual information component with the aggregated information.

Data Classification	Description	Example Data Types
Highly Sensitive	Data that if breached owing to accidental or malicious activity would have a high impact on the University's activities and objectives.  This label describes the Intended audience from a restricted UNSW organisational unit or external perspective. Dissemination is based on strict academic, research or business need.	Data subject to regulatory control Medical Children & Young persons Credit Card Research Data (containing personal medical data)
Sensitive	Data that if breached owing to accidental or malicious activity would have a medium impact on the University's activities and objectives.  This label describes the Intended audience from a restricted UNSW organisational unit or external perspective. Dissemination is based on strict academic, research or business need.	Student and Staff HR data Organisational financial data Exam material Exam Results Research Data (containing personal data)
Private	Data that if breached owing to accidental or malicious activity would have a low impact on the University's activities and objectives.  This label describes the Intended audience from a broad UNSW organisational unit or external perspective. Dissemination is based on academic, research or business need.	Business unit process and procedure Unpublished Intellectual property ITC system design & configuration information
Public	Data that if breached owing to accidental or malicious activity would have an insignificant impact on the University's activities and objectives.  This label describes the Intended audience.	Faculty and staff directory information Course catalogues Published research data

Revision History							
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1.0 President and Vice-Cha		ncellor	11 March 2016	1 March 2016	New Standard		
Supporting Info	ormation						
Parent Document (Policy)			Data Governance Policy				
Supporting Docum	nents	Data Handling Guideline					
Related Document	ts	Nil					
Superseded Docu	ments	This is a new Standard					
File Number		2016/09759					
UNSW Statute and Any variation to Policy remain consistent with regulation	_	Nil					
Relevant State / Fe	ederal Legislation	Nil					
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Contact Officer		Deputy Director, Business Reporting & Intelligence, & Data Governance					
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