Software development by faculty members, staff members or students as part of normal duties or assignments is considered “work-for-hire” and is property of the University. Courseware (syllabi, lecture notes, class handouts and other such materials) whether in paper or web formats are property of the University.

All work completed or submitted toward fulfillment of course requirements by students is the property of Keiser University. Keiser University reserves the right to utilize any work so submitted in any way it believes appropriate.

**PRIVACY OF STUDENT RECORDS**

Policies and procedures concerning the privacy of student records maintained by Keiser University and its faculty and staff are governed by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (Public Law 93-380). Student records are maintained by campus Registrar’s Office (academic records), Financial Services Department (financial aid records) and Bursar’s Office (accounts receivable records).

Student records are maintained by the University in permanent files. Under Section 438 of the General Provision Act (Title IV of Public Law 90-247), students age 18 or over have access to their personal record files kept by the University. The Registrar maintains a log with dates the records were checked out and used by other departments.

All authorized University personnel have access to student records for official purposes. A student (or in some cases eligible parents) is given access to his/her record within a reasonable time after submitting a written request to the custodian in possession of that record (Registrar, Financial Services or Bursar). If the content of any record is believed to be in error, inaccurate, discriminatory, misleading or in violation of student rights or otherwise inappropriate, it may be challenged and a written explanation included in the record. A student’s right to due process allows for a hearing, which may be held at a reasonable time and place at which time evidence may be presented to support the challenge.

Student information is released to persons, agencies or legal authorities as required by subpoena/legal process or by consent of a student (or eligible parent). Information is released on a consent basis in cases where a student or eligible parent has provided a written consent, signed, dated and specifying the information to be released and name(s) of persons to whom the information is to be released.

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), requires that the University, with certain exceptions, obtain your written consent prior to the disclosure of personally identifiable information from your education records. Directory information is considered public and may be released without written consent unless specifically prohibited by the student concerned. Data defined as directory information includes: student name, major field of study, student participation in officially recognized activities, dates of attendance, enrollment status (full-, half-, part-time; undergraduate or graduate), degrees and awards received, and the most recent educational agency or institution the student has attended. Students wishing to opt out must provide a formal written request to the registrar at their campus.

**KEISER UNIVERSITY TRANSCRIPTS**

A request for a Keiser University transcript must be in writing, signed by the student and requested a minimum of two (2) weeks before a transcript is required. The full address of the person/place to which the transcript is to be sent must be included. An official transcript bearing the University seal will be forwarded directly to other colleges, to prospective employers, or to other agencies at the request of a student. Typically, colleges only consider a transcript "official" if forwarded directly from the sending institution. Students may also obtain unofficial copies of their transcripts at the Campus Records office. There is no charge for the student's first transcript request. All other