

Warning about unauthorized illegal downloading and sharing of video contents

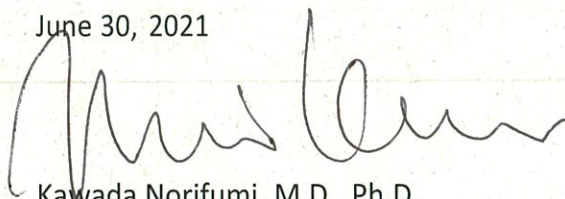
On June 23, 2021, at around 4:00 p.m., unauthorized downloading and sharing of video content occurred on the Abeno Campus. Despite our repeated warnings on unauthorized illegal activities through sharing software, it is regrettable that such an illegal act was carried out again using the file sharing software.

At Osaka City University, illegal activities by terminals connected to the campus LAN are not only in violation of the university regulations such as the "Abeno Campus LAN Operation Rules", but also constitutes an illegal act of copyright infringement, which may result in a lawsuit from the copyright owner or copyright organization. This is a grave issue as in some cases there can be a possibility of criminal charges for copyright violations. Users who are aware of such activities should take the following points into account and take appropriate measures immediately.

1. Downloading and sharing of video content using file sharing software is illegal and violates the Copyright Act. Just by having file sharing software installed, there is a possibility that copyright infringing content can be unintentionally shared on the Internet. If any software that could potentially cause such illegal activities is installed on your terminal, delete them immediately and refrain from performing such activities in the future. Any kinds of illegal downloads are strictly prohibited.
2. When communicating (information exchange) over a network, the IP address assigned to the personal computer (terminal) is exposed. Not only exchanging movie files but also engaging in acts that violate the law and disrupt public order and morals can cause various troubles. Please make sure to use the network ethically.

- The use of the university network is limited to education, research, clinical practice and those that support it.
- Please be aware that if found to have any illegal communication using the university's network is discovered, network use prohibition will be imposed for a certain period of time based on the Abeno Campus LAN Operation Rules.

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