

## Copyright at Davidson College Library

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### Fair Use

Davidson College Library adheres to the provisions of the United States Copyright Law (Title 17, USC, Sect. 101, et seq.). Section 107 of the Copyright Act of 1976 addresses the concept of "Fair Use" which recognizes the needs of scholars and students to use copyrighted materials for educational purposes. The library complies with U.S Copyright Law by considering and balancing the four Fair Use factors, for each item placed on reserve, if there is no license in place governing access to the material. You may learn more about these four factors by clicking the following hyperlinks:

Stanford University Copyright and Fair Use

[http://fairuse.stanford.edu/Copyright\\_and\\_Fair\\_Use\\_Overview/index.html](http://fairuse.stanford.edu/Copyright_and_Fair_Use_Overview/index.html)

Columbia University Libraries/Information Services Fair Use Checklist

<http://copyright.columbia.edu/fair-use-checklist>

A Fair(y) Use Tale: A Short Film by Eric Faden

[http://voirdire.stanford.edu/program/centers/cis/fairuse/Fair\(y\)\\_Use\\_Tale\\_Stanford\\_Cut-stream.mp4](http://voirdire.stanford.edu/program/centers/cis/fairuse/Fair(y)_Use_Tale_Stanford_Cut-stream.mp4)

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Copyright Term and the Public Domain in the United States

<http://www.copyright.cornell.edu/resources/publicdomain.cfm>

Bound By Law? Tales from the Public Domain: by day a filmmaker, by night she fought for fair use!

<http://www.law.duke.edu/cspd/comics/pdf/cspdcomicscreen.pdf>

### Other Selected Web Sites

University of Texas System Copyright Crash Course

<http://www.utsystem.edu/ogc/intellectualproperty/cprtindx.htm#top>

Search copyright information

Works registered and documents recorded by the U.S. Copyright Office since January 1, 1978

<http://www.copyright.gov/records/>

How To Not Get Sued for File Sharing (And Other Ideas To Avoid Being Treated Like a Criminal)

<http://www.eff.org/wp/how-not-get-sued-file-sharing>

Know Your Copy Rights: Using Copyrighted Works in Academic Settings

<http://www.knowyourcopyrights.org/resourcesfac/kycrbrochure.shtml>

Tool for interpreting Section 108 of the Copyright Act / Section 108 of the U.S. Copyright Code: Reproductions by Libraries or Archives for their Users, for Replacement, or for Preservation

<http://librarycopyright.net/108spinner/>

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### Course Reserve Item List Form

For more information on library reserves, contact Jean Coates, Assistant Director, Access and Acquisitions, at 704.894.2332, or via email at [jecoates@davidson.edu](mailto:jecoates@ davidson.edu).

Davidson College Copyright Statement - Compliance with Laws and Acts

<http://www3.davidson.edu/cms/x3329.xml>

DAVIDSON COLLEGE INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY POLICY

<http://www3.davidson.edu/cms/x4485.xml>

**Please note that library staff members cannot give legal advice. If you need legal advice, you should contact an intellectual property attorney.**

For general information and guidance, you may contact Kelly Sink, Intellectual Property Librarian, at 704.894.2152, or via email at [kjsink@davidson.edu](mailto:kjsink@davidson.edu).