Internet Usage Guidelines

The Australian School of Business supports research and collaboration via the provision of internet connections throughout the School.

Internet traffic
Internet traffic is charged per megabyte downloaded. There are different rates for downloaded data, depending upon where it is downloaded from. The data downloaded from AARNET mirror sites is considerably cheaper than downloading directly from the internet. Also, there is no charge for internet traffic across campus. Further, data received via email is covered at the university level. There is no charge for upload of data.

Business usage
Normal business internet use includes:
- downloading documents required for normal business activities
- downloading research data
- using document repositories
- windows and antivirus updates
- research collaboration with other institutes

Internet activities not supported by the Australian School of Business include:
- listening to live radio
- streaming television reports
- downloading music
- downloading movies
- running peer to peer sharing applications such as Kazaa and BitTorrent

Costing
A staff allocation of $200/quarter per IP address, (the equivalent of over 2 DVDs full of data), in download of the School’s standard. Any usage above the allotted allocation will need to be signed off by the Head of School and funded through the School or individual’s research budget.

Research internet activity, which is often considerably higher, will be funded by the appropriate research grants.

Reporting
Standard reporting is on a quarterly basis. However, Technical Services Group can monitor monthly usage and advise Heads of School if usage is in excess of the allocation.