Southeastern Louisiana University’s academic environment requires freedom of movement and trust in students, faculty, and staff. The policy that follows is designed to support those freedoms by helping departments to protect their equipment and resources.

**Monitoring**

All inventory heads should charge one of more employees to be responsible for inventoried (tagged) equipment within the department, college or divisions. This applies not only to the main campus, but to the Baton Rouge School of Nursing campus, Turtle Cove Research Station, and Covington Center.

**Securing**

All equipment valued at $1,000 or greater should be placed in a locked desk, cabinet, room or building, or secured with a locking device when not in use.

**Indentifying**

While inventoried equipment is marked with a bar code inventory label, this does not protect the equipment from being stolen or assist in its recovery. Barcodes and serial numbers can easily be removed. SLU Property Control engraves all CPUs, monitors and printers after delivery with its inventory number to assist in theft recovery. Departments are encouraged to engrave their equipment with the inventory number.

**Preventing**

University Police can be contacted to review security measures with personnel and offer recommendations for theft prevention.

**Reporting**

The theft or loss of any piece of inventoried equipment must be reported immediately to University Police, SLU Property Control, and SLU Administrative Services for insurance claim eligibility. Damaged or destroyed property should be reported promptly to SLU Property Control and SLU Administrative Services for insurance claim eligibility. In addition, damaged or destroyed property by the criminal act should be reported promptly to University Police.