Purpose:

To ensure accountable operation of HWCOE websites by defining hosting requirements.

Scope:

Applies to all websites used to conduct University business created, maintained, or managed within the HWCOE, its departments, centers, institutes, and other organizational units.

Standard:

In addition to being compliant with applicable University of Florida information security policies and standards, HWCOE websites must meet these hosting requirements:

1. UFIT service offerings for website hosting must be used whenever possible

2. Unit infrastructure will not be used for website hosting unless:
    a. UFIT service offerings do not provide the required functionality
    b. A UF risk assessment is completed per the UF Integrated Risk Management (IRM) framework
    c. The unit infrastructure is located within an approved HWCOE machine room

3. Third-party, external services will not be used for website hosting unless:
    a. UFIT service offerings do not provide the required functionality
    b. A UF risk assessment is completed per the UF Integrated Risk Management (IRM) framework

Responsibilities:

1. The College IT Director will coordinate with UFIT regarding features of service offerings needed for website hosting.

2. Unit ISMs, in conjunction with the College ISM, will assist in the evaluation of what qualifies as websites "used to conduct University business."

3. Unit ISMs, in conjunction with the College ISM, will assist in the evaluation of UFIT service offerings when considering local infrastructure and 3rd party hosting.

4. Unit ISMs will initiate UF risk assessments when required for local infrastructure or 3rd party hosting.

5. Unit ISMs will ensure websites within their unit follow this HWCOE administrative procedure.

References:

- Domain Name Policy
  https://it.ufl.edu/it-policies/web-related/domain-name-policy/

- Risk Management Policy
  https://it.ufl.edu/it-policies/information-security/risk-management-policy/

- System Security Plans Standard
  https://it.ufl.edu/it-policies/information-security/related-standards-and-documents/system-security-plans-standard/