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For normal curricular operations, the CVM Information Technology (CVM-ITS) installs copyrighted software on student machines. If a student sells his/her computer or leaves the curriculum, **it is the student's responsibility to either take the computer to CVM-ITS for the removal of CVM licensed software or to certify in writing to CVM-ITS that all such software has been removed from the computer.**

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