

# Computer Cable Lock Installation, 1-18-2012

Please be advised that School desktop technicians will be installing cable locks for all University-owned desktop and laptop computers as part of the School's data security compliance initiative. While cable locks will certainly not prevent a determined and equipped thief from stealing your equipment, they have been proven to reduce the more common "crime of opportunity," so the policy makes sense.

## **Things you should know:**

- You can choose where you want the cable lock to attach, provided the spots you choose are secure. Just speak with your tech about it.
- The technicians are installing the locks during their normal desktop maintenance/troubleshooting appointments and hope to have locks to everyone over the next month or so. If you wish to get a cable lock sooner and a technician has not yet installed one, simply e-mail 5Help and a technician will contact you for an appointment.

## ***For desktop owners:***

- Your desktop machine will be locked by default. Your desktop technician will have the key in the event the computer needs to be moved; Central Mailman IT will have a back-up copy.

## ***For laptop owners:***

- When feasible, you are required to cable lock your computer when it is not in transit. Keys will be held by you, your desktop technician, and Central Mailman IT.