## Changing your workstation password:

To keep your files and information protected and only accessed by you, please make sure that you change your workstation default password.

## Changing your CAC Mac workstation password:

- 1. Go to System Preferences under the Apple menu
- 2. In the **System** section, click **ACCOUNTS** The Accounts dialog box appears.
- 3. In the Accounts section, select your username

Account	Password	Picture	Security	Limitations
Username Standard	Name:	Username		
CAC Admin	Short Name:	username		
	Password:	•••••		
	Verify:	•••••		
	Password Hint:			
	(Optional)			
Login Options				
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- 4. Verify that the Password tab is selected
- 5. Click in the **Password** text box
- 6. When prompted for password authentication, enter your password (default password: *faculty*)
- Press [enter] <u>NOTE:</u> If the current password you typed is incorrect, you will not be allowed to advance to the next text box.
- 8. In the **Password** text box, type your desired new password
- 9. Press [tab]
- 10. In the Verify text box, type your new password again
- 11. Press [tab] Your password is now changed.
  - NOTE: This is the password you will use when you log in.
- 12. Select Quit System Preferences under the System Preferences menu

## ڬ Strategies for creating a good password

- Your password should be at least 7 characters long.
- Create an acronym from the letters of the words in a phrase, song lyric, or quotation that is memorable to you (e.g., "To be or not to be?" could become "2BRnot2B?").
- Combine two words or a word and a number sequence that is meaningful to you, for example, your favorite fruit and a memorable year (e.g., "kiwi" and "1987" could be combined as "ki1987wi").
- Deliberately misspell words, or substitute phonetic replacements throughout (e.g., "Mississippi" could become "Mrs.Ippi").
- Use a mixture of uppercase and lowercase letters.

## ڬ Keeping your password secure

- Do not write your username and password in the same place.
- Never share your password with anyone.
- Never send anyone your password via email (even if the message requesting your password seems official).
- Change your password every six months.