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Plan for today

- Copyrightability
- Licenses
- Who Holds Copyright (or, Who Can Apply a License)
- Sharing Data
- Practice Questions



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COPYRIGHTABILITY



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What copyright covers

- Copyright covers works of authorship that are:
  - Original
    - Possessing at least a modicum of creativity
    - The independent creation of their author(s)
  - Fixed in a tangible medium of expression



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What copyright covers, continued


- Copyright does not cover an "idea, procedure, process, system, method of operation, concept, principle, or discovery."
- Copyright does not cover works created by officers or employees of the U.S. government

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