Overview of the File Vault Program from Apple: http://www.apple.com/macosx/features/filevault/

In the Dock menu, click the System Preference Icon. It is the Icon that looks like a metal plate with a switch on left side and picture of the Apple Logo on the right.



In the System Preferences Window, select the Security Icon under the Personal Options. It is the icon which looks like a house with a combination lock.



This is the Security Preference Pane. The first thing you should do is set the Master Password.





Setting Master Password:

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To utilize File Vault for the User, select the "Turn On FileVault" button located below the "Change" button for the Master Password.

User Password: (Enter password of user logged into system)

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File Vault Activation:

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Steps that happen after Turn on File Vault:

- 1. User gets logged out.
- 2. System proceeds to encrypt user's home folder.
- 3. User is then allowed to log in.

Recent Articles regarding Apple File Vault:

1. http://www.securityfocus.com/columnists/393