



Academic Integrity

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- **Academic Integrity (AI) Working Group**
 - Formed in December 2016
 - Capture the landscape of AI activities across academic units
 - Identify procedural and policy reforms based on findings
 - Develop a set of core recommendations for improvement
- **Dean's Retreat, August 2017:**
 - What can we do to improve our AI policies and procedures?
 - How can we continue to build an institutional culture that places importance on academic honesty?
 - Prevention
 - Detection
 - Enforcement
- **Academic Integrity Committee**
 - Representative from each college to provide guidance for processes/policies related to AI
 - Lead the charge in addressing AI issues

- No university-wide formal procedures to support the handling/coordination of academic integrity violations across academic units.
- Need to address norms and understandings among faculty and students in regard to policies and procedures
 - What are the policies and who do I contact to report an academic integrity violation.

- Schools and colleges impose different sanctions for similar offenses.
- Each academic unit has developed a different method for documenting and tracking AI violations (or not). As a result, there is no University-level view of the landscape of academic integrity violations across academic units.

Role of Academic Integrity Officer

- Provides definition for and reinforces the role of the Academic Integrity Officer to serve as a point of contact and manage the investigation and adjudication process within each college/school.

Investigation and Communication Procedures

Process

- Faculty reports violation to AIO
- Follow-up with AIO to discuss details of case and proposed sanction
- AIO sends communication to student regarding alleged violation-student has an opportunity to respond
- Once determination is made, AIO sends communication of official sanction to student and steps to appeal
- If student decides to appeal, they must meet with the AIO to discuss hearing procedures

- **Consistent Communications**

- Alleged violation of academic integrity
- Official sanction and steps to appeal
- Packet of documentation for appeal

Dismissals from College/School

- The revised practices/policy no longer supports dismissals by a College/School
*consideration of professional standards still under review

College/School Board

- College/School Boards should be standing committees comprised of at least one student.

“We, the students of Arizona State University, have adopted this code as an affirmation of our commitment to academic integrity and our participation in ethical education.

We embrace our duty to uphold ASU's Honor Code, and in light of that duty,

We promise to refrain from academic dishonesty.

We pledge to act with integrity and honesty and to promote these values among our peers.

We agree to always abide by the Sun Devil Way and uphold the values of the New American University.”

Updates

Academic Integrity Website:

Highlights

Academic Integrity Officer list

Videos

- Senior Leadership
- “Meet your Academic Integrity Officer”
- Faculty highlight video

Student Resources

- Sun Devil Integrity and Strategies for Completing work with Integrity
- ASU Tutorial Academic Integrity
- Avoiding plagiarism resources

Faculty Resources

- Setting student expectations
- Assessments
- Teaching strategies

The screenshot shows the ASU Academic Integrity website. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the ASU logo, "Arizona State University", and links for "ASU Home", "My ASU", "Colleges and Schools", and "Map and Location". Below this is the "Office of the University Provost" header. A main navigation menu includes "Academic Integrity" (highlighted), "Academic", "Personnel", "Faculty Excellence", "Business Services", "Inclusion", "Initiatives", and "About". The main content area features a large heading "Academic Integrity" and a video player titled "Academic integrity at ASU" showing a woman speaking. Text below the heading states: "At Arizona State University, we place great value on the research and scholarship of our students and faculty and are committed to a culture of academic integrity and scholarly ethics. We welcome you into our culture of academic excellence and integrity and hope you will help foster and promote ethical and honest behavior in connection with your scholarly work and interactions with your peers."

- Academic Integrity
 - What is Academic Integrity?
 - Student Honor Code
 - Why is it Important?
 - Student Policy
 - Who to Contact?
 - Student Resources
 - Faculty Resources

What is Academic Integrity?

No matter what stage of your educational or professional career pursuits, acting with integrity is a cornerstone of leadership and good citizenship. Integrity is a character-driven commitment to doing what is right, and guiding others to do what is right. Arizona State University expects to act with integrity in their educational pursuits.

Academic dishonesty falls into five broad areas that include but are not limited to:

1. Cheating on an academic evaluation or assignment.
2. Plagiarizing.
3. Academic deceit, such as fabricating data or information.
4. Aiding academic integrity policy violations and inappropriately collaborating.
5. Falsifying academic records.

It is important that you understand what constitutes a violation of academic integrity and provide resources to avoid these kinds of violations. Visit the student resource page for more information on ASU's academic integrity policy found here and visit the student resource page for more information.

Mostly importantly, if you are not sure if something is really cheating, ask your professor, T.A.s or academic advisors.

- **Development of an Academic Integrity Database Enterprise-Wide Solution**

- Housing
- Risk management
- WPC
- Student code of Conduct

- **RFP for vendors:**

- Maxient, Symplicity, etc.
- Initial list of functional requirements

- **Interim Solution**

- Academic Integrity Form
- Tracking students with multiple violations
- Landscape analysis-brief survey

Updates:

Photos for Online Students

- newly accepted online students to upload a digital photo so that this may be compared to recorded test videos to confirm that academic integrity is not being violated.

Legislation-Contract Cheating

- Seventeen U.S. states have laws that outlaw contract cheating
- Effective enforcement for Universities with regard to contract cheating service providers
- Symbolic statement that the provision of these services is illegal
- Proposed AZ legislation



THANK YOU!

