

Code of Academic Integrity

The University of Maryland is an academic community. Its fundamental purpose is the pursuit of knowledge. Like all other communities, the University can function properly only if its members adhere to clearly established goals and values. Essential to the fundamental purpose of the University is the commitment to the principles of truth and academic honesty.

Accordingly, the *Code of Academic Integrity* is designed to ensure that the principle of academic honesty is upheld. While all members of the University share this responsibility, the *Code of Academic Integrity* is designed so that special responsibilities for upholding the principle of academic honesty lie with the students.

At the University of Maryland any of the following acts, when committed by a student, shall constitute a violation of *The Code*, resulting in an act of academic dishonesty:

CHEATING: intentionally using or attempting to use unauthorized materials, information, or study aids in any academic exercise.

- Students completing any examination or assignment should assume that external assistance (e.g., books, notes, calculators, cell phones, conversation with others) is prohibited unless specifically authorized by the instructor
- Substantial portions of the same academic work may not be submitted for credit or honors in more than one course/class without authorization from the instructor

FABRICATION: intentional and unauthorized falsification or invention of any information or citation in an academic exercise.

- “Invented” information may not be used in any laboratory experiment or other academic exercise without notice and authorization from the instructor
- One should acknowledge reliance upon the actual source from which cited information was obtained

FACILITATING ACADEMIC DISHONESTY: intentionally or knowingly helping or attempting to help another to violate any provision of this Code.

- Students should not give another student their homework, old papers or tests, nor should they provide assistance on assignments if the instructor has not expressly stated that receiving help is allowed

PLAGIARISM: intentionally or knowingly representing the words or ideas of another as one’s own in any academic exercise.

- Quotation marks, appropriate indentation and proper citation required in-text and in the reference page for all borrowed words and ideas (e.g., information/knowledge from books, articles, internet, friends)
- Acknowledgment is required for any and all paraphrased information; Paraphrasing is not simply re-ordering words in a sentence

