ONLINE ACADEMIC INTEGRITY

Academic integrity is the commitment to, and demonstration of, ethical behavior in an academic setting. Faculty should make an effort to understand how and why students commit acts of academic dishonesty. We should also use teaching strategies that help deter dishonesty while informing students about the consequences of compromising their integrity.

Be Clear
- Define and explain the importance of attribution and copyright
- Provide models and examples of proper citation
- Explain parameters for acceptable collaboration
- Direct students to approved resources

Be Proactive
- Foster a culture of academic ethics
- Scaffold and benchmark assignments
- Create and use large question pools/test banks
- Use differentiated assessment/inquiry-based approaches

Be Aware
- Academic dishonesty comes in many forms
- Most students do not cheat or do so unintentionally
- There is little difference in the amount of cheating in online vs face-to-face classes
- For due process, faculty must report suspicions of academic dishonesty to OSCCR

Be Tech-Savvy
- Some students misuse external study platforms
- Make copyright claims on your intellectual property
- If proctoring is needed, use tools like Respondus Lockdown Browser/Monitor
- For online written assignments, use Blackboard’s SafeAssign to check authenticity

Be Strategic
- Pick assessment types that fit your learning goals
- Mix objective and subjective questions
- Create versions of tests and randomize questions
- Display questions one at a time

Resources
- Academic Integrity in Online Environments
- Teaching Strategies on Academic Integrity
- Copyright and Intellectual Property
- University Writing Center

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