

## CLEAN VERSION OF “REFRESHED” ACADEMIC INTEGRITY POLICY

# Academic Integrity

Students, faculty, and administrators share responsibility for the determination and preservation of standards of academic integrity. Not only must they adhere to their own personal codes of integrity and comply with University community standards, but they must also be prepared to educate others about the importance of academic integrity, to take reasonable precaution to discourage violations of academic integrity, and to adjudicate violations.

For students, education about the importance of academic integrity begins during the admissions process. The centrality of integrity to the academic enterprise is reinforced during new student orientation when students engage in discussion about academic integrity. Specific mention of academic integrity and course-specific guidelines should be presented in all classes. Programs and instruction about academic integrity guidelines also should be offered throughout the students' undergraduate career.

Faculty and students are expected to uphold standa



## **First Violations**

If upon receipt by the Office of Student Conduct and Community Standards the violation is confirmed to be a first violation (the University has no record of a previous academic integrity violation by the student), the case will proceed as indicated on the completed reporting form.

Students found responsible for a first violation will be required, in addition to any other sanctions, accepted or imposed, to attend an ethics education program or to complete an ethics exercise as assigned by the Dean of Undergraduate Studies or the Director of the Office of Student Conduct and Community Standards or their designees.

## **Subsequent Violations**

If the university judicial file indicates that the student suspected of a violation has been responsible for one or more previous violations of the university's Academic Integrity Policy, the case will be referred by the Office of Student Conduct and Community Standards for Academic Integrity Board action.

## **Misrepresentation and Obstruction**

The Panel's determination of responsibility shall be made on the basis of whether there is a preponderance of the evidence (defined as whether it is more likely than not) that the student violated the Academic Integrity Policy. At least



adjudication of a suspected violation when those processes are feasible. If a student is found responsible for a violation and the sanction imposed makes the student ineligible to earn his or her degree, the degree may be revoked.

### **Maintenance of Records**

Violations of academic integrity standards are considered violations of the university's Standards of Conduct and will be recorded in the student's conduct record. University conduct files are maintained by the Office of Student Conduct and Community Standards in the Division of Student Affairs.