

CODE OF ACADEMIC INTEGRITY POLICY

American National University, in an effort to promote an atmosphere conducive to intellectual fulfillment, commits itself, the administration, faculty, and student to the maintenance of the highest possible standards of academic integrity. These members of the American National University community have the responsibility and obligation to adhere to and uphold the standards of academic integrity outlined below.

The members of the American National University community are pledged to academic honesty. As academic honesty is considered to be the keystone of the educational enterprise, any form of dishonesty is considered to be an affront to the entire University community. Academic dishonesty is any form of giving, taking, or prescribing of information or material with intent to gain an unfair advantage in an academic setting. Forms of dishonesty include, but are not limited to, plagiarism, cheating, self-plagiarism, poor scholastic achievement, or misrepresenting academic engagement.

- Plagiarism is defined as representing words, ideas, or other works of another individual or entity as your own without giving proper credit to the original author or source.
- Cheating is defined as using or attempting to use unauthorized materials, information, study aids, or computer-related information.
- Self-Plagiarism is defined as submitting previously submitted course work that may or may not have received academic credit, without prior approval of faculty.
- Poor scholastic achievement focuses on students not properly citing sources or following published citation criteria
- Misrepresenting academic engagement is defined as intentionally logging onto the learning management system without meaningfully engaging in academic activities for the purpose of demonstrating attendance.

Enforcement of this policy is the responsibility of faculty and staff. The University takes disciplinary action which may include receiving an incomplete or failing grade, expulsion from the course, or expulsion from the University. The student may submit a written appeal following the University's grievance policies to have an action reconsidered. The decision of the Academic Review Committee is final.

Artificial Intelligence and Academic Integrity

The University recognizes there are instances in which the use of artificial intelligence (Ai) may be a valuable learning tool, while in others, it should be prohibited. All sources, including Ai, are to be disclosed. Any specific guidelines for use or prohibition of Ai and its disclosure will be published as an announcement in the individual course. Students who are uncertain of what is expected of them should consult their instructors.