

Policy Title	Academic Integrity Policy
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Policy Approver(s)	Senior Team
Related Policies	Ch5-s1-02 Academic Appeal Policy Ch5-s5-02 Student Code of Conduct
Related Procedures	Ch5-s5-01 Academic Integrity Procedure
Appendices	
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Purpose

The students, faculty, staff, and administration of Confederation College believe that academic integrity is central to the mission of the College. Commitment to academic integrity supports the mutual respect and learning that our community values. The Academic Integrity College Practice reflects these values.

Scope

This policy applies to all students, full-time staff, and contract staff at the College. This Policy is intended to guide behaviour and support learning.

Definitions

Academic Dishonesty A violation of academic integrity. Academic dishonesty takes the form of any kind of cheating in academic work, including taking credit for the work of others without crediting them, misrepresenting one's own work, fabricating information, and facilitating academic dishonesty in others.

Examples of academic dishonesty include, but are not limited to, the following:

Plagiarism: representing the words or ideas of someone else as one's own including copy and pasting from internet, as well as failing to attribute any of the following: quotations, paraphrases, or borrowed information.

Unauthorized use of generative artificial intelligence: utilizing AI and specifically foundational models to create writing, computer code, or images from minimal human prompting and presenting that work as your own is an academic offense. There will be times when you are able to utilize generative artificial intelligence for productive and ethical academic use, but these instances will be guided and introduced by your professor as part of your learning.

Cheating: using or attempting to use unauthorized information or materials in any academic exercise; copying from one's own or someone else's work; representing someone else's work as one's own; or violating rules and policies governing examinations, such as bringing pre-written work into an in-class examination or talking during examination or accessing information via the internet.

Fabrication: inventing or falsifying data, citations, or information.

Facilitating academic dishonesty: intentionally helping or trying to help someone else commit an act of academic dishonesty.

Suspension	The student is removed from a course, program, or the College by the Dean, for a period not less than the end of the current semester in which the student is enrolled. Suspension usually results in automatic failing grades in all courses in which the student is registered, and no fees are refunded for that semester.
Expulsion	The student is permanently removed from the College learning environment by the Dean. Expulsion from the learning environment may result in expulsion from residence without refund.
Restorative Justice	A model adopted in numerous jurisdictions across Canada as an alternative to the mainstream justice system, based on an understanding of traditional models of justice practiced by Indigenous peoples. Encourages dialogue among victims and offenders to construct plans of action that hold offenders accountable and meet victims' needs. The method is "restorative" because its ultimate objective is to restore (heal) community relationships. For this to happen, the offender must make themselves accountable to the community.
Academic Administrator	Dean, Regional Director, Associate Dean, Chair or Manager

Governing Laws and Regulations

Minister's Binding Policy Directive

Policy Statements

Confederation College aims to provide positive learning experiences and outcomes for all of our learners. As part of a student's learning they will be taught what Academic Integrity is and will be guided to understand expectations of avoiding Academic Dishonesty infractions. Actions of Academic Dishonesty will be addressed in our learning environment with the intent of supporting learning and defining boundaries on behalf of the faculty. Feedback to students in instances of Academic Dishonesty will be direct, fair and timely.

Non-Compliance

It is the responsibility of students of Confederation College to adhere to this policy. Violations of academic integrity will be dealt with by individual faculty and supported by their academic managers. As a learning institution we begin dealing with academic dishonestly with the intent of teaching, but continuous behavior of non-compliance will be dealt with utilizing increasing levels of discipline up to and including suspension or expulsion.

Revision History

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