Academic Integrity and Community Standards
The Lehigh University Community

• Welcome to the Lehigh University Community!

• As a new member of our community we expect you to:
  – Know what our community is about and what our expectations are
  – Respect other people
  – Hold yourself and others accountable.
Lehigh’s Expectations

Academic Integrity
Respect for Others
Respect for Property
Respect for the L.U. Community.
Respect for Self (includes alcohol and drugs)
Respect for the Law
Academic Integrity

• Central concepts of academic integrity:
  – doing your own work and making sure that other people get credit for the work they have done.
  – Ideas have value and the people who develop those ideas deserve credit for their work.
  – You should receive credit for the work you do.
  – Assignments should be completed according to the instructions.

• Princeton University Says, “others need to be able to trust that your words, data, and ideas are your own. The right to intellectual ownership of original academic work is as important to the life of the university as the right to own personal possessions.” (Princeton University, 2011)
Academic Dishonesty

Types of Academic Dishonesty

• Plagiarism:
  
  – The direct use or paraphrase, of the work, themes or ideas, of another person without full and clear acknowledgement. This includes:
    • Not citing other peoples work.
    • Paraphrasing and using the work without citing it.
  
  – Submitting the work of another as your own in any assignment (including papers, tests, labs, homework, computer assignments, or any other work that is evaluated by the instructor). This includes:
    • Copying someone's homework or computer program.
    • Using a paper given to you by a friend or purchased commercially for a grade.
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• Cheating:
  – Cheating on quizzes or examinations:
  – The dependence upon the aid of sources beyond those authorized by the instructor.
  – The acquisition, without permission, of tests or other academic material belonging to a member of the university faculty or staff.
  – Any attempt to falsify an assigned grade in an examination, quiz, report, program, grade book, or any other record or document.
  – Falsifying Data
  – Collusion.
    • Collusion occurs when students willfully give or receive unauthorized or unacknowledged assistance. Both parties to the collusion are considered responsible.
Avoiding Academic Integrity Issues

• Review the Code of Conduct
• Review the course syllabus
• Ask your professor if you do not understand an assignment or an instruction.
• Make sure you understand if you are allowed to work with other people on a particular assignment.
Academic Integrity

Avoiding Academic Integrity Issues

• Cite your work
  – If the idea is not your own, you should cite it.
  – If you are unsure if it should be cited, ask someone.
  – Use the format that your professor prefers (MLA, APA, etc.)

• Manage your time properly
  – Talk to your professor if problems arise.
  – Make ethical decisions.
Resources for you to utilize:

- General Information on Academic Integrity: [http://www.lehigh.edu/~indost/conduct/academicintegrity.html](http://www.lehigh.edu/~indost/conduct/academicintegrity.html)

- Information and tutorials about finding and citing information: [http://www.lehigh.edu/library/infolit/students/index.html](http://www.lehigh.edu/library/infolit/students/index.html)

- Information about academic integrity for instructors: [http://www.lehigh.edu/library/infolit/faculty/](http://www.lehigh.edu/library/infolit/faculty/)

- Academic Support Services: [http://www.lehigh.edu/~inacsup/inacsup.html](http://www.lehigh.edu/~inacsup/inacsup.html)

- Center for Academic Success: [http://www.lehigh.edu/~inacsup/cas/](http://www.lehigh.edu/~inacsup/cas/)

- Office of Student Conduct: [http://www.lehigh.edu/~indost/conduct/student_conduct.html](http://www.lehigh.edu/~indost/conduct/student_conduct.html)
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Off Campus Resources:

- Citation Machine (Helps produce Citations): [http://citationmachine.net/](http://citationmachine.net/)

- Modern Language Association (MLA) [http://www.mla.org/style](http://www.mla.org/style)

- American Psychological Association (APA) [http://www.apastyle.org/](http://www.apastyle.org/)

- Center for Academic Integrity [http://www.academicintegrity.org/](http://www.academicintegrity.org/)
Alcohol and the Code of Conduct

• Lehigh University expects that its student members will act in a manner that respects their own health and well-being, especially concerning the use and or abuse of alcohol and drugs.
  – Students under the age of 21 are not permitted to consume, distribute or be in possession of alcohol. In addition to other sanctions, parents are notified of all alcohol violations.
  – Serious offenses with alcohol (Putting one’s self at risk, putting others at risk, causing significant property damage) may result in separation from Lehigh University for one offense, and will result in such for a second offense.
  – Medical Amnesty – If you call for medical assistance for yourself or someone else, neither of you will not be charged with violations of the code of conduct (this does not protect you from police involvement). **Be a part of the community and help your fellow students when they need it!**
Your Disciplinary Record

• If you are held accountable for a violation of the Code of Conduct, it is placed on your disciplinary record.

  – *This record is maintained permanently.*

  – It is released internally at Lehigh University on a need to know basis. (i.e. athletics, honors societies, study abroad, awards and prizes, etc.)
  – Externally It is released to graduate and professional schools.
  – Employers (with your written permission).
  – Governmental agencies (with your written permission or via a subpoena).
Things to keep in mind:

- Reporting alleged cases of academic dishonesty.
  (TALK TO YOUR SUPERVISOR FIRST)

- Keeping FERPA Protected information confidential.
  (Ask questions if you are not sure)

- If you think that a student is in some kind of trouble, do not hesitate to contact the Dean of Student’s Office.
Questions and Answers

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