

Academic Integrity

A college degree is worth no more than the integrity of the process by which it was gained. If the standards of ethics and integrity we hold in our work and our relationships are lax, we have nothing of value to offer one another. This applies to school work, our careers and our personal life.

For this reason, Academic Integrity is incredibly important to me and my colleagues in CSE. The principles of honesty and integrity are vigorously enforced in my class.

Students are responsible for the honest completion and representation of their work, for the appropriate citation of sources, and for respect for others' academic endeavors. By placing their name on academic work, students certify the originality of all work not otherwise identified by appropriate acknowledgments.¹

CSE Policy on Academic Integrity

All academic work must be your own. All academic work must be your own. Plagiarism can be defined as the deliberate use of another person's work with reference to your name without acknowledging the original source.² If you did not create it, it should not have your name on it unless appropriate annotation is given. Cheating or Collaboration, usually evidenced by unjustifiable similarity, is never permitted in individual assignments. Any submitted academic work may be subject to screening by software programs designed to detect evidence of plagiarism or collaboration.

It is your responsibility to maintain the security of your computer accounts and your written work. Do not share passwords with anyone, nor write your password down where it may be seen by others. Do not send copies of your work to others via email trusting they are honest and would never use it for their own purpose. Do not walk away from a computer without logging out. These are your responsibilities. In groups that collaborate inappropriately, it may be impossible to determine who has offered work to others in the group, who has received work, and who may have inadvertently made their work available to the others by failure to maintain adequate personal security. In such cases, all will be held equally liable.³

Departmental Policy on Violations of Academic Integrity

Any student accused of a violation of academic integrity will be so notified by the course director. An informal review will be conducted, including a meeting between these parties. After this review and upon determination that a violation has occurred, the following sanctions will be imposed. It is the policy of this department that any violation of academic integrity will result in an F for the course.³

For more UB information see: <http://www.ub-judiciary.buffalo.edu/art3a.shtml##integrity>

1. <http://www.wisc.edu/students/saja/misconduct/UWS14.html#overview>
2. <http://www.articlesbase.com/education-articles/plagiarism-3350.html>
3. http://www.cse.buffalo.edu/academics-academic_integrity.shtml