
AP 4221 Academic Integrity

Academic integrity is the expectation that faculty, staff, and students act with honesty, trust, fairness, respect, and responsibility. KCC is committed to providing students with accessible, quality educational opportunities that uphold high academic standards; therefore, academic integrity is expected for all students. All faculty, staff, and administrators should foster a culture of academic integrity through college-wide professional development and practice.

Violations of Academic Integrity Definitions

Students who violate the college academic integrity policy will be subject to disciplinary action. Instructors have the responsibility to take action on any suspected acts of academic dishonesty. Depending on the nature or frequency of the offense, serious penalties may be imposed, ranging from loss of points on any graded activity to expulsion.

Violations of academic integrity include but are not limited to the following:

Plagiarism

- Plagiarism is defined as the use of work or concepts that are not one's own without proper attribution or citation
- Presenting someone else's words, ideas, artistry, product, or data as one's own
- Presenting as new and original an idea or product derived from an existing source

Unauthorized Assistance

- Refers to sources of support (for example, Artificial Intelligence [AI]) that have not been specifically authorized by the course instructor(s) in the completion of academic work to be graded

Collusion/Inappropriate Assistance

- Helping another commit an act of academic dishonesty
- Knowingly or negligently allowing your work to be used by others
 - It is a violation of Oregon state law to create and offer to sell part or all of an educational assignment to another person (ORS 1.65.114)

Cheating

An act of deceit, fraud, distortion of truth or any unauthorized assistance, such as notes or other academic materials, including the following:

- Use of any unauthorized notes, or other academic material, in taking quizzes, tests, or exams. Relying on the aid of services beyond those authorized by the faculty member in writing papers, preparing reports, solving problems, or carrying out other assignments. Acquiring or viewing, without permission of the instructor, a test, or examination questions or answers, or other academic material.
- Sharing classroom documents, including test items, with other students or with online platforms.

Fabrication/Falsification/Alteration

- Intentional misrepresentation, invention, exaggeration or alteration of information or data, whether written, verbalized or demonstrated

Unauthorized Multiple Submission

- Using any work previously submitted for credit without prior permission of instructor

Sabotage and Tampering

- Intentional altering or interfering with another students' work
- Intentional tampering of academic resources

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