

Academic Honesty and Integrity

The primary responsibility of the students, faculty, and administration is to create an atmosphere where the honesty of individuals will not be questioned.

Faculty members are responsible for providing guidelines concerning academic honesty and expectations at the beginning of each course.

Students are responsible for submitting their own work. Students who cooperate on oral or written examinations or work without authorization share the responsibility for violation of academic principles, and are subject to disciplinary action even when one of the students is not enrolled in the course where the violation occurred. Students have the right to be informed when they are suspected of violating academic principles and have the right to a fair opportunity to refute them.

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Faculty members will report the incident to the department chair, dean, and registrar. In the case of the graduate students, the graduate dean also will be notified. In cases of repeat offenses, higher sanctions, up to and including suspension or expulsion may be recommended to the Provost and Committee on Academic Standards.

For complete information regarding academic honesty and integrity, student expectations, disciplinary sanctions, appeal procedures, and hearing guidelines, refer to www.ndsu.edu/academichonesty