

Academic Integrity

Standards of Academic Integrity

As a community of scholars, Brandman University emphasizes the mutual responsibility of all members to seek knowledge honestly and in good faith. Students are responsible for doing their own work, and academic dishonesty of any kind will not be tolerated anywhere in the University. In order to safeguard the conditions under which scholarship is performed, measured, and evaluated, the following will serve to define academic dishonesty, to identify procedures for hearing cases involving academic integrity violations, and to give suggested guidelines for sanctions according to the offense.

Academic Integrity Violations

Academic dishonesty can take a number of forms. It includes, but is not limited to, cheating on a test or examination; claiming the work of another as your own; plagiarizing any paper, research project, or assignment; or falsely submitting material to fulfill course requirements.

Cheating includes unauthorized copying from the work of another student, with or without that student's consent, using notes or other unauthorized material during a test period, and giving or receiving assistance from another when it is expected the student will perform his or her own work. Falsifying data to show either the process or the product of scholarly examination to be different from what actually occurred is also considered dishonest. This includes falsely reporting attendance or participation in any field-work experience.

Students may not submit work done in one course to satisfy the requirements of another course, unless both instructors agree beforehand to accept such work. Forged or altered documents may not be presented. This includes transcripts, add/drop forms, or any academic form which has been falsified or on which a professor's signature, or anyone else's signature, has been forged or altered. Assisting any other person to engage in an act of academic dishonesty is an independent violation of the University's academic integrity standards.

Failure to report any previous academic work at another college or University is also considered a violation of academic integrity.

Learn more about Brandman University's disciplinary actions for academic integrity violations (see p. 20, Section B: "Procedures for Hearing and Investigation")

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Brandman University. (n.d.). *Student Conduct Code*. Retrieved from http://www.brandman.edu/resources/forms/Student_Conduct_Code.pdf

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- Anti-plagiarism software
- Documents are uploaded to it and assessed against a database of papers, journals, websites, and other forms of text
- Compares the similarity of the "turned-in" document with existing resources
- A Turnitin drop-box inside Blackboard is clearly identified with an icon, but it works the same as the "regular" drop-box for submission.