Academic Integrity Policy at Syracuse University

University-Wide Policy – Administered Locally
Syracuse University adopted a university-wide academic integrity policy in 2006 and revised the policy in 2011. The policy sets general guidelines. Individual cases are brought by faculty members and instructors working with the Academic Integrity Coordinator appointed by their school or college.

The Academic Integrity Office, located in Bird Library, works with faculty, instructors, staff, and students to broaden understanding of SU’s academic integrity policy and to coordinate its administration. The office maintains records of all academic integrity cases.

Key Elements of the Policy
- The policy covers a broad range of academic integrity issues, including appropriate use of sources in course work and research, unauthorized collaboration on assignments and examinations, and misrepresentation of authorship or identity.
- The policy distinguishes between academic negligence and academic dishonesty.
- Negligence results in a written warning. A student who receives a written warning for negligence has the option to request that the case be reclassified as dishonesty to allow an appeal.
- The presumptive penalty for a first instance of academic dishonesty by an undergraduate is the XF – course failure with a transcript notation indicating an academic integrity violation. Students who successfully complete the academic integrity seminar have the “X” removed.
- The presumptive penalty for a first instance of academic dishonesty by a graduate student is suspension or expulsion. All dishonesty cases involving graduate students are heard by a panel selected by the school or college bringing the case.
- Presumptive penalties constitute general guidelines. Individual faculty and instructors have latitude in proposing charges.
- Students have the right to appeal academic dishonesty charges to a hearing panel selected by the school or college bringing the case.

For More Information
To read the full policy, view frequently asked questions, or find other resources, visit http://academicintegrity.syr.edu. For additional information, email or call:
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