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ACADEMIC HONOR CODE (POLICY 04.100)

The University of North Carolina Wilmington is committed to the proposition that the pursuit of truth requires the presence of honesty among all involved. It is therefore this institution's stated policy that no form of dishonesty among its faculty or students will be tolerated. Although all members of the university community are encouraged to report occurrences of dishonesty, each individual is principally responsible for his or her own honesty. The following definitions and procedures are provided to help everyone realize the high value that is placed on academic integrity and the means that will be employed to insure its preservation.

I-1 ACADEMIC DISHONESTY OFFENSES

Students who violate any of the following standards will be subject to disciplinary action:

A. PLAGIARISM

B. BRIBERY

C. CHEATING

1. Any conduct during a program, course, quiz or examination which involves the unauthorized use of written or oral information, or information obtained by any other means of communication.
2. The unauthorized buying, selling, trading or theft of any examination, quiz, term paper or project.
3. The unauthorized use of any electronic or mechanical device during any program, course, quiz, or examination or in connection with laboratory reports or other materials related to academic performance.
4. The unauthorized use of laboratory reports, term reports, theses, or written materials in whole or in part.
5. The unauthorized assistance or collaboration on any test, assignment, or project.
6. The unauthorized use by a student of another student's work or the falsification of any other student's work.
7. Participating in, or permitting any of the above activities as defined in C 1-6.

I-4 REPORTING AND ADJUDICATION PROCEDURES

A. A suspected infraction of the Academic Honor Code shall be reported to the instructor of the course in which it occurred. Such a report shall be made within five business days from the time of discovery unless extenuating circumstances prevent reporting.

1. If the student admits the infraction, the faculty member may:
 - a. Propose a settlement by private resolution. The chairperson of the department in which the faculty member teaches may be consulted for assistance in reaching a settlement. If the penalty proposed by the instructor is acceptable to the student, the incident can be resolved by providing notification to the department chair and to the dean of the college/school in which the faculty member teaches, and to the dean of students for inclusion in the student's disciplinary records, or
 - b. Refer the case to the Office of the Dean of Students (without assigning a grade). The dean/designee will proceed as outlined in Section II-2-D-3.
2. If the student does not admit the infraction, the faculty member may:
 - a. Decide not to pursue the accusation(s) due to lack of evidence, whereupon, he/she shall inform the reporting party of this decision within five days, or
 - b. Refer the case to the dean of students (without assigning a grade). The dean/designee will proceed as outlined in Section II-2-D).

I-6 SUGGESTED PENALTIES FOR PROVEN OFFENSES

A. If the CCB or Office of the Dean of Students finds the student not responsible for the charge, the instructor will ensure fair treatment of the student.

B. If the student is found responsible for the charge, the CCB or dean of students/designee may impose a disciplinary sanction indicated in Section II-4 of the *Code of Student Life*. The authority to determine the course grade resides with the instructor. An assigned grade of "F" for the course is generally appropriate for an offense of academic dishonesty.

I-7 WITHDRAWALS

Once a student is alleged to have violated the Academic Honor Code, the student will be prohibited from withdrawing from the course. Should a student withdraw from the class, the mark of "W" will be considered temporary pending the final resolution of the case.

DISRUPTIVE STUDENT BEHAVIOR

On college campuses, the term “disruptive behavior” is most commonly associated with large-scale demonstrations and protests. However, there is another form of misconduct on campus that is seldom reported by the media, but causes individual faculty members considerable personal turmoil: disruptive behavior in the classroom. The information and recommendations that follow are consistent with, and supported by, *The UNCW Code of Student Life*. The goal is to help you to confidently, fairly and safely address incidents of disruption in a manner that discourages such behavior in the future while retaining the dignity of the classroom environment.

Examples of Disruptive Behavior

Disruptive behavior is defined as behaviors that hamper the ability of instructors to teach and students to learn. Common examples of disruptive behaviors include, but are not limited to:

- Eating in class
- Unauthorized use of laptop computers in the classroom
- Monopolizing classroom discussions
- Failing to respect the rights of other students to express their viewpoints
- Talking when the instructor or others are speaking
- Constant questions or interruptions that interfere with the instructor’s presentation
- Overt inattentiveness (e.g., sleeping or reading the paper in class)
- Creating excessive noise with papers, book bags, etc.
- Entering class late or leaving early
- Use of pagers or cell phones in the classroom, including ringing, talking, and text messaging
- Inordinate or inappropriate demands for time and attention
- Use of profanity or pejorative language
- Intoxication or illegal drug use
- Verbal abuse (e.g., taunting, badgering, intimidation)
- Harassment (e.g., stalking or use of “fighting words”)
- Threats to harm oneself or others
- Physical violence (e.g., shoving, grabbing, assault, use of weapons)

Responding to Disruptive Behavior

- We will deal with disruptive behavior immediately by asking the student to stop.
- If the student continues to disrupt the class he or she will be asked to leave the class and meet with the instructor prior to the next class period. Failure to meet with the instructor will result in the student not being admitted to class.
- If the student refuses to leave class he or she will be referred to the Office of the Dean of Students (962.3119) for disciplinary action.
- If a student meets with the class instructor and is allowed to return to class, any further disruption to the class will result in he or she being referred to the Office of the Dean of Students (962.3119) for disciplinary action.
- UNCW campus police will be called if a student issues threats to harm oneself or others, or displays physical violence as defined above.

I have read the attached information and agree to abide by the UNCW Academic Honor Code. In addition, I will not disrupt the class through any of the actions listed above, and understand that if I do I will be subject to disciplinary action.

Signed _____

Date _____