Academic Dishonesty Workshop

For the students at University of Arkansas Rich Mountain

Academic Dishonesty

Academic dishonesty includes:

-Cheating

-Plagiarism

-Collusion

These are all clearly defined in the student handbook on pp. 88-89

campus, educational or working environment for another person. This includes unwanted, unwelcome, or inappropriate sexual or gender-based activities or comments.

DISHONESTY

Dishonesty includes but is not limited to the following:

- Cheating: Includes but is not limited to the following:
  - Copying from another student's test paper.
  - Using any unauthorized assistance in taking quizzes, tests, or examinations.
  - Possession during a test of materials that are not authorized by the person giving the test, such as class notes or specifically designed "crib notes."
  - Dependence upon the aid of sources beyond those authorized by the instructor in writing papers, preparing reports, solving problems, or carrying out assignments.
  - The acquisition, without permission, of tests or other academic material belonging to a member of the UA Rich Mountain faculty or staff.
- Plagiarism: Offering the work of another as one's own without proper acknowledgment.
- Aiding and abetting another person in committing any form of academic dishonesty.
- Providing material or information to another person which allows for these materials or information to be used improperly.
- Posting or selling course materials.
- Making, possessing, or using any falsified college documents or records; altering any college document or record, including identification cards.
- Knowingly providing false information to college officials, including disciplinary hearing bodies.
- Passing insufficient funds checks or fraudulent money orders in payment of any financial obligations to the College.
- Falsely claiming to represent the College or a registered student organization of the College.

Academic dishonesty is an academic offense and a behavioral violation. The Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Office provides information on the academic due process in instances of academic dishonesty. The student may also face the behavioral process as well.

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ILLEGAL DRUGS AND ALCOHOL

- Engagement in the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensation, possession or use of a controlled substance, while a student at University of Arkansas Rich Mountain, will lead to disciplinary action. No employee, student, or guest may bring onto the campus or use on the campus any intoxicant or harmful or illegal drugs, which includes opioid narcotics, nor may appear on campus under the influence of such. A violation of these rules will be grounds for disciplinary action which may include verbal reprimand, written, reprimand, probation, suspension, or expulsion.

FIRE AND SAFETY

- Removal, damage, or unauthorized tampering or activation of fire, safety, or any emergency warning equipment.

Consequences of Academic Dishonesty

Disciplinary Sanctions for Academic Offenses include:

-Disciplinary probation

-Removal from courses or activities

-Suspension

-Expulsion

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appeal in writing within five working days to the Chancellor of the College. The Chancellor may uphold, reverse, or reduce the decision of the Appeals Committee. Response by the Chancellor will be given within five working days to the student. The Chancellor's decision is final.

DISCIPLINARY SANCTIONS: ACADEMIC AND NON-ACADEMIC OFFENSES

In keeping with this policy's stated essential values, sanctions are designed to promote the College's educational mission. Sanctions may also serve to promote safety or to deter students from behavior, which harms, harasses, or threatens people or property. Some behaviors are so harmful to the College community or the educational process that they may require more serious sanctions: removal from specific courses or activities, suspension from the College, or expulsion.

Disciplinary sanctions will draw upon the experience and professional judgment of faculty, staff, and administrators, and on a range of disciplinary techniques. Disciplinary sanctions in response to violations of the Code of Student Conduct will be correlated to the seriousness of the offense, the effect of the misconduct on the College environment, the student's record of misconduct, and statutory requirements. Because of these factors, sanctions for a particular offense (unless specified by law) may bring into use varying techniques and responses. Possible disciplinary sanctions include, but are not limited to:

- Disciplinary probation: Implies that the individual's standing with the College is in jeopardy and that further negligent or willful violations will normally result in suspension or expulsion.
- Withholding of grades, official transcripts, or degree.
- Restitution: Compensation for loss, damage, or injury to the appropriate party in the form of money, service, or material replacement.
- Class or workshop attendance: Enrollment and completion of a class or workshop that could help the student understand why his or her behavior was inappropriate.
- Educational project: Completion of a project specifically designed to help the student understand why her or his behavior was inappropriate.
- Removal from specific courses or activities.
- Restriction from entering specific college areas and/or forms of contact with certain persons.
- Suspension: Separation from the College for a specified period of time or until certain conditions are met.
- Expulsion: Permanent separation from the College.
- Revocation of degree and withdrawal of diploma.

The sanctions imposed under these standards do not diminish or replace the penalties available under generally applicable civil or criminal laws. Students are reminded that many violations of the Code, including harassment and other

What does this all mean?

Athletes (Charlotte)

No Pass/No Play

UA Rich Mountain College Policies

UA Rich Mountain Athletic Policies

Individual Sport Policies

NJCAA Policies

Disciplinary action for academics is separate from athletics.

However, disciplinary action can affect your ability to participate in athletic events.

GPA Requirements

Credit Hour Requirements

Transfer Requirements

How can this impact my financial aid?

Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP)

- Federal
  - Must meet minimum GPA and Hour Completion
  - Complete Withdrawal
  - 1.00 GPA
- State
  - Arkansas Academic Challenge - hours and GPA
- Institutional
  - UARM Foundation or Academic - hours and GPA

https://www.uarichmountain.edu/financial-aid/satisfactory-academic-progress

So I took the easy way out...What's *really* going to happen?

English Classes

- ➔ **First offense:** drop in course average
  - Student meets with the instructor
  - Instructor reports incident to Student Affairs
  - Student Affairs contacts Adviser
  - Adviser notifies coaches and/or sponsors (if applicable)
- ➔ **Second offense:** removed from course
  - Students who cannot afford to drop will be forced to accept the grade earned
    - WILL impact student's GPA
  - Student must retake the Course
    - May impact semester credit hours
    - May impact timeline to graduation

Is this plagiarism?

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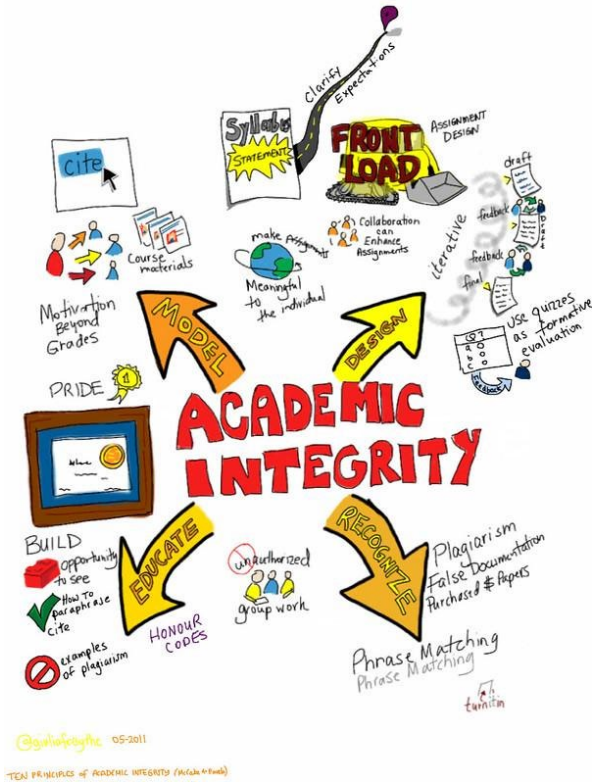
(Rich Mountain Community College www.rmcc.edu)

Real World Consequences

Allegations of plagiarism can lead to:

- Job loss, as in the president of the University of South Carolina (2021)
- Licensure revocation, as was the case with a medical doctor who plagiarized articles he submitted PRIOR to earning his degree (1989)
- Having your degree rescinded, which was the case for many, including one who plagiarized her dissertation (2008)
- Loss of opportunities for book deals (2006), facilities named in one's honor, etc.
- Revocation of acceptance to or scholarships offered from a university, including this student who got into Harvard (2007)

How do I avoid Academic Dishonesty?

Maintain Academic Integrity (History)

- Acknowledge your sources
  - Citations!
- Do your own work
  - Do not write for your friends
  - Do not ask friends to write for you
  - Do not copy from online websites
- Do not falsify data
  - Live in reality
- Put your writing in your own words