

CODE OF ACADEMIC INTEGRITY

The University believes that in the academic realm, as in life, integrity and honesty are critical foundations. Students, together with the faculty and the administration, aspire to the highest standards of academic integrity and honesty. SMU expects and hopes that in the course of his study and time at the University, every student will live by these standards. Students should refrain from activities and conduct that depart from fair, honest and diligent pursuit of knowledge. Examples of undesirable activities include the following:

- Cheating: using or attempting to use unauthorized assistance, material, or study aids in examinations or other academic work or preventing, or attempting to prevent, another from using authorized assistance, material, or study aids.
- Plagiarism: using the ideas, data, or language of another without specific or proper acknowledgment.
- Fabrication: submitting contrived or altered information in any academic exercise.
- Multiple submissions: submitting, without prior permission, any work submitted to fulfill another academic requirement.
- Misrepresentation of academic records: misrepresenting or tampering with or attempting to tamper with any portion of a student's transcripts or academic record, either before or after coming to the University.
- Facilitating academic dishonesty: knowingly helping or attempting to help another violate any provision of the Code.
- Unfair advantage: attempting to gain unauthorized advantage over fellow students in an academic exercise.

A student who is unsure whether his action constitutes a violation of the Code of Academic Integrity, should consult with his instructor to clarify any ambiguities.