

**COLLEGE POLICY: Academic Integrity**

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**Policy Statement**

Fleming College is committed to providing an environment that encourages all students to learn, create and share knowledge responsibly, with the highest level of academic integrity. Academic integrity requires that information derived from others be acknowledged and recognized and that credit is only taken for ideas and work that are your own. A breach of academic integrity is considered to be academic dishonesty, which is a serious offence and will be addressed with a series of sanctions related to the severity of the offence.

This policy identifies the scope, defines relevant terms and outlines general principles of academic integrity. This policy applies to all students and employees of Fleming College.

**Purpose**

Students of Fleming College have the right to a positive and engaging academic environment which facilitates educational and interactive learning opportunities. This policy strives to promote academic integrity by ensuring accountability and educating students on the importance of academic honesty. All members of the Fleming College community are committed to promote the highest standard of academic integrity.

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**Scope**

All members of the college community are expected to uphold the high standards of conduct at Fleming College as outlined by the Academic Integrity policy and procedures.

**Definitions/Acronyms**

**Academic Integrity** refers to honoring an ethical and moral code regarding the honest creation of an individual's own work and the acknowledgement of contributions from others to that work.

**Semester** refers to the next semester of academic study within the students program.

**Suspension** refers to exclusion from classes, field placement and other privileges or activities for a stated period of time.

## General Principles

1. Fleming College is committed to educating all members of the college community with regard to academic integrity policies and procedures.
2. It is expected that all members of the college community will maintain an environment of academic integrity in all aspects of academic life including learning, teaching, research and administration.
3. It is the responsibility of students, staff and faculty to be aware of and to comply with standards outlined by this academic integrity policy and related procedures.
4. All members of the college have a responsibility to detect and report breaches of academic integrity and address them according to the established procedures.
5. Sanctions for breaches of academic integrity will be related to the nature of the offence as outlined in the related administrative operating procedure.

## Related Documents

- Administrative Operating Procedure #OP-2-201A, *Academic Integrity*
- College Policy # 2-214, *Integrity in Research and Scholarship*
- College Policy # 2-219, *Academic Appeal* and Administrative Operating Procedure
- College Policy # 5-506, *Student Rights and Responsibilities*
- College Policy # 3-310, *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*
- Guidelines for Professional Practice for Students and Faculty

## Appendices

N/A

## History of Amendments/Reviews:

Section(s)	Date	Comments
Elements that formed the original Academic Regulations policy #2-201 were separated into four distinct policies and operating procedures.	2017	New policy. • Board approval of policy (Resolution BoG June28-2017 #8 )