



Academic integrity

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Calendars outline the policies and procedures that support the University's standards of academic integrity. Students in the School of Public Administration should be familiar with the expectations of the University with respect to academic integrity, and the definitions of plagiarism, multiple submission, falsifying materials subject to academic evaluation, cheating and aiding others to cheat.

As a professional program, we require you to adhere to the highest ethical standards. In professional settings, just as in the university environment, it is critical that you acknowledge the work of others that has helped you to complete your own work. If you get information from existing sources, such as books, journals and websites, it is necessary to cite this appropriately. Where you are required to complete work by yourself (such as in an exam or individual paper) you cannot share work with your peers.

Plagiarism, multiple submission, falsifying materials subject to academic evaluation, cheating and aiding others to cheat are misrepresentations of your own work in the program. They constitute an ethical breach of conduct and reflect poorly on you as a student and as a professional. The School takes these actions seriously and students who fail to uphold the University standards will be held accountable in accordance with University policies. The School has a number of sophisticated tools for detecting and determining the extent of plagiarism in student work.

The School of Public Administration has appointed an Academic Integrity Adviser to work with instructors and students to promote awareness of academic integrity guidelines, improved citation practices, and the consistent implementation of integrity policies throughout all of our courses, comprehensive exams, theses and Master's Projects.

If you are in any doubt about the policies on academic integrity, or how these apply to an assignment in a particular course, contact the integrity adviser or the instructor for clarification. Do not put yourself in a position where you thought something was permitted, when it was not.

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