The University of California, Santa Barbara

Academic Integrity Guide

The UCSB Student Conduct Code exists to support the highest standards of social and academic behavior and ensure an environment conducive to student learning. It is expected that students attending the University of California, Santa Barbara understand and subscribe to the ideal of academic integrity, and are willing to bear individual responsibility for their work. Any work (written or otherwise) submitted to fulfill an academic requirement must represent a student’s original work. Any act of academic dishonesty will subject a person to University disciplinary action. Academic dishonesty includes but is not limited to the following:

Cheating

• Copying or attempting to copy from another student, allowing another student to copy, or unauthorized collaboration with another student
• Using any unauthorized material such as notes, cheat sheets, or electronic devices during an exam
• Looking at another student’s exam
• Talking, texting, or communicating during an exam
• Submitting altered graded assignments or exams for additional credit
• Bringing pre-written answers to an exam
• Having another person take an exam for you, or taking an exam for another student
• Signing an absent student in for attendance, or allowing a fellow student to do the same for you
• Unexcused exit and re-entry during an exam period

Plagiarism

• Taking credit for any work created by another person including, but not limited to, books, articles, methodology, results, compositions, images, lectures, computer programs, or internet postings
• Copying any work belonging to another person without indicating that the information is copied and properly citing the source of the work
• Creating false citations that do not correspond to the information you have used

Unauthorized collaboration

• Working together on graded coursework without instructor permission
• Working with another student beyond the limits set by the instructor
• Providing or obtaining unauthorized assistance on graded coursework

Misuse of course materials

• Sharing course materials without the explicit written permission of the instructor or creator
• Purchasing or copying assignments or solutions to complete coursework
• Unauthorized use of another student’s work

Furnishing false information

• Providing false information in order to obtain exceptions to course requirements, deadlines, and the postponement of exams
• Forging signatures or submitting documents containing false information
• Making false statements regarding attendance at class sessions, requests for late drops, and/or incomplete grades