STUDENT INTEGRITY POLICY

Students in the Department of Criminology & Criminal Justice at the University of Northern Colorado represent the academic and professional interests of the Criminology & Criminal Justice Department, the University of Northern Colorado, and the entire professional Criminology and Criminal Justice community. Accordingly, the Criminology & Criminal Justice Department requires all students to behave in a professional manner and adhere to the highest ethical standards in every university class and in every activity connected with the Criminology & Criminal Justice Department. This professional behavior is required not only in the classroom but also in all Department of Criminology & Criminal Justice related activities and interactions, including, but not limited to, course-related activities, e-mails, social media, conferences, and use of any and all technology.

Students are expected, at all times, to conduct themselves in accordance with the highest standards of academic honesty. Dishonesty violates the University of Northern Colorado Honor Code and the University of Northern Colorado Student Code of Conduct.

Examples of dishonesty include, but are not limited to, the following acts:

1. Cheating (see the definition in the University of Northern Colorado Student Code of Conduct);
2. Plagiarism (see the definition in the University of Northern Colorado Student Code of Conduct);
3. Copying sentences for a paper without citing the source;
4. Illegitimate possession and disposition of examinations;
5. Taking an examination for another student;
6. Writing a paper or a part of a paper or assignment for another student;
7. Submitting work, in whole or in part, that was previously submitted in another class without prior approval of the instructor;
8. Looking at another student’s examination paper or giving the appearance of looking at another student’s examination paper;
9. Copying or sharing information from answer sheets or for quizzes without doing the work independently;
10. Leading faculty or other students to that you have completed a required assignment or activity when actually you have not;
11. Fabricating data;
12. Stealing UNC property;
13. Stealing the personal property of other students or of faculty;
14. Unauthorized use of course materials from previous semesters; and
15. The alteration, forgery, or falsification of official records or documents.

Engaging in or attempting to engage in such acts or similar acts is grounds for disciplinary action. At the discretion of the observing or involved faculty member, the student may be subject to but not limited to the following:

1. A zero or a failing grade for the work in question;
2. A failing grade for the course for which the work in question was submitted;
3. Reporting the student to the UNC’s Office of the Dean of Students;
4. Expelling the student from the Criminology & Criminal Justice program;
5. Other academic penalties as outlined in the course Syllabus;
6. Any disciplinary action as specified in the Sanctions for Misconduct in the University of Northern Colorado Student Code of Conduct;
7. In the event of the destruction or theft of property or a violent crime, the appropriate authorities shall be notified;
8. Referral to a Criminology & Criminal Justice Academic Integrity Ad Hoc Committee for investigation and consideration of penalties; or
9. Any combination of the above.

Students will be held accountable for any and all acts of dishonesty. Students are encouraged to report observations or knowledge of dishonest acts to a faculty member. Such reports are confidential. Faculty who suspect, observe or have knowledge of a student’s dishonest acts shall refrain from accusing the student of cheating in front of other students and shall meet with the student at the earliest opportunity to discuss facts available to the faculty member regarding the dishonest act(s). If a member the faculty believes an act of dishonesty has occurred, he or she shall notify the Chairperson of the Department of Criminology & Criminal Justice. An accused student has the right to appeal a disciplinary action to the UNC Dean of Students Office.