

SCHOLASTIC DISHONESTY POLICY

As an academic university dedicated to the creation, dissemination, and application of knowledge, the Health Science Center is committed to fostering an intellectual and ethical environment based on the principles of academic integrity which is essential to the success of the University's education and research mission and violations of academic integrity constitutes serious offenses against the entire academic community.

Academic integrity is based on educational principles and procedures that protect the rights of all participants in the educational process and validate the legitimacy of degrees awarded by the University. In the investigation and resolution of all allegations of student academic dishonesty, the University's actions are intended be corrective, educationally sound, fundamentally fair, and based on reliable evidence.

The Scholastic Dishonesty policy is adopted by the University based on authority delegated by the Board of Regents to the President and is implemented and enforced under the direction of the Deans and Vice President for Academic, Faculty and Student Affairs.

Please note that culpability is not diminished when scholastic dishonesty occurs in drafts which are not the final version or when the student claims not knowing the policy or procedures.

Any student who commits an act of scholastic dishonesty is subject to discipline. Scholastic dishonesty includes but not limited to cheating, plagiarism, collusion, the submission for credit of any work or materials that are attributable in whole or in part to another person, taking an examination for another person, any act designed to give unfair advantage to a student or the attempt commit such acts.

For more information on Scholastic Dishonesty, please see Policy 14.1.1 (<http://uthsca.edu/hop2000/14.1.1.pdf>) of the Health Science Center Handbook of Operating Procedures(HOP).