

# *Academic and Research Integrity*

Essential to the mission of Northeastern University is the commitment to the principles of intellectual honesty and integrity. Academic integrity is important for two reasons. First, independent and original scholarship ensures that students derive the most from the educational experience and the pursuit of knowledge. Second, academic dishonesty violates the most fundamental values of an intellectual community and depreciates the achievements of the entire university.

Accordingly, Northeastern views academic dishonesty as one of the most serious offenses that a student can commit while in college. Academic dishonesty includes cheating, fabrication, plagiarism, unauthorized collaboration, participation in academically dishonest activities, and facilitating academic dishonesty.

All members of the Northeastern community—students, faculty, and staff—share the responsibility to bring forward known acts of apparent academic dishonesty. Any member of the academic community who witnesses an act of academic dishonesty should report it to the appropriate instructor or to the director of the Office of Student Conduct and Conflict Resolution.

Violations of the Academic Integrity Policy will result in disciplinary action, which may include a failing grade in the assignment or course, academic probation, suspension, or immediate dismissal from the program. No student may withdraw from a course in which he or she is found responsible for violating the Academic Integrity Policy.

The university's complete Academic Integrity Policy (<http://www.northeastern.edu/osccr/academic-integrity-policy/>) is available through the Office of Student Conduct and Conflict Resolution.

Students unclear as to whether or not a source requires citation should speak with their instructor; consult a writing resource (e.g., Writing Center, University Library); and/or utilize the Northeastern Citation and Academic Integrity Checklist. ([https://www.northeastern.edu/oepe/demo/CPS\\_AIRS/Citation%20and%20Academic%20Integrity%20Checklist/story.html](https://www.northeastern.edu/oepe/demo/CPS_AIRS/Citation%20and%20Academic%20Integrity%20Checklist/story.html))

## **Code of Student Conduct**

The Code of Student Conduct can be found on the Office of Student Conduct and Conflict Resolution website (<http://www.northeastern.edu/osccr/code-of-student-conduct/>).