

Academic Integrity Policy

Effective learning, teaching, and research all depend upon the ability of members of the academic community to trust one another and to trust the integrity of work that is submitted for the requirements of your Clear Credential or conducted in the wider arena of the teaching profession.

Such an atmosphere of mutual trust fosters the free exchange of ideas and enables all members of the community to achieve their highest potential.

Violations of This Policy Include, But Are Not Limited To:

1. Plagiarism

Plagiarism consists of taking someone else's ideas, words or other types of work product and presenting them as one's own. To avoid plagiarism, Candidates are expected to be attentive to proper methods of documentation and acknowledgement. Cite material from the internet as if it were from a traditionally published source. Follow the citation style or requirements of the instructor for whom the work is produced.

2. Copying or Collaborating on Assignments without Permission

When a Candidate submits work with his/her name on it, this is a written statement that credit for the work belongs to that Candidate alone. If the work was a product of

collaboration, each Candidate is expected to clearly acknowledge in writing all persons who contributed to its completion.

3. Fabrication or Falsification of Data or Records

It is dishonest to fabricate or falsify data in research, reports, or in any other circumstances; to fabricate source material in a bibliography or “works cited” list. It is also dishonest to take data developed by someone else and present them as one’s own.

This list is not intended to be exhaustive. To seek clarification, Candidates should ask the New Teacher Support and Development Coordinator for guidance.