



## Academic Dishonesty

### Expectations of Kuwaiti Scholarship Students

As a scholarship student, the Ministry of Higher Education states that each student is expected to exhibit good conduct, protect Kuwait's reputation, follow the rules and regulations of the Ministry and respect the policies and regulations of the university or college which he or she attends.

The higher education system in the United States takes academic dishonesty seriously and, in most cases, it results in consequences as severe as academic suspension or dismissal from the university or college.

### What is Academic Dishonesty?

Academic Dishonesty happens when a student intentionally tries to: cheat, plagiarize, or tries to help another student to do similar actions.

- 1. Cheating is when a student does not follow the rules the professor has given for an assignment, including:**
  - Getting copies of a test or assignment.
  - Using study materials, notes or academic aids (for example: calculators, periodic tables, phones, etc.) without permission from your teacher on an assignment.
  - Allowing another student to take an exam, quiz or evaluation for you.
  - Sharing answers or working with another student on an assignment without permission from your professor.
  - Using another person's information without their permission.
  - Changing grades on an assignment.
- 2. Plagiarism means giving your professor another person's words or ideas as if they were your own, words or ideas, including:**
  - Turning in an exact copy of another person's work or ideas as your own.
  - Using another person's ideas, data, or writing without stating or making a note of the original source in your assignment.
  - Using a copy of another individual's information to complete an assignment without their permission.
- 3. Fabrication is the when a student creates or makes up his answers, information, or data presented in an assignment.**
- 4. Helping another student to commit an act of academic dishonesty can include:**
  - Taking a quiz, exam or assignment for another student.
  - Allowing another student to copy from your work.

*Most university professors are aware that it has become easier for students to share their work electronically since most assignments are done on computers, so professors are using different computer programs and online applications to check each student's assignment for plagiarism.*

Here are some additional resources about plagiarism and how to use proper citation when using published sources in your assignments:

- ◆ Tips on how to avoid plagiarism: <https://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/589/01/>
- ◆ Modern Language Association: [www.mla.org](http://www.mla.org)
- ◆ American Psychological Association [www.apastyle.org](http://www.apastyle.org)