Academic Dishonesty

The University goal is to foster an intellectual atmosphere that produces educated, literate people. Because cheating and plagiarism are at odds with that goal, they shall not be tolerated in any form. Students are expected to adhere to the rules and regulations as set forth in the Student Code of Conduct. Therefore, all work submitted by a student must represent that student’s own ideas and effort; when the work does not, the student has engaged in academic dishonesty.

Plagiarism occurs when a person passes in another person’s work as his or her own, borrows directly from another person’s work without proper documentation, or re-submits his or her own work that has been previously submitted without explicit approval from the instructor. For example, academic dishonesty occurs whenever a student participates in any of the following:

Cheating
• submitting material that is not yours as part of your course performance;
• using information or devices that are not allowed by the faculty;
• obtaining and/or using unauthorized materials;
• fabricating information, research, and/or results;
• violating procedures prescribed to protect the integrity of an assignment, test, or other evaluation;
• collaborating with others on assignments without the faculty’s consent;
• cooperating with and/or helping another student to cheat;
• demonstrating any other forms of dishonest behavior.

Plagiarism
• directly quoting the words of others without using quotation marks or indented format to identify them;
• using sources of information (published or unpublished) without identifying them;
• paraphrasing materials or ideas without identifying the source;
• self-plagiarism - re-submitting work previously submitted without explicit approval from the instructor;
• unacknowledged use of materials prepared by another person or agency engaged in the selling of term papers or other academic material.

NOTICE: The list above is intended only to provide general guidelines for recognizing and avoiding common types of academic dishonesty. It is in no way an exhaustive or comprehensive list of all the types of academic dishonesty.

Suspected cases of academic dishonesty will be handled by the professor in consultation with the Office of Student Conduct.

For more information about academic honesty, see the Student Code of Conduct which can be found on the Office of Student Conduct webpage at http://deanofstudents.georgiasouthern.edu/conduct.