

Minot State University

What is Academic Integrity?

Fundamental to the academic work you do at Minot State University is an expectation that you will make choices that reflect integrity and responsible behavior.

Occasionally, you may feel overwhelmed by the amount of work you need to accomplish. You may be short of time, working on several assignments due the same day, or preparing for qualifying exams or your thesis presentation. The pressure can be intense. On the [Working Under Pressure](#) page, we suggest resources to help you manage your workload and prevent yourself from becoming overwhelmed. However, no matter what level of stress you may find yourself under, MSU expects you to approach your work with honesty and integrity.

Honesty is the foundation of good academic work. Whether you are working on a problem set, lab report, project or paper, you should not engage in plagiarism, unauthorized collaboration, cheating, or facilitate academic dishonesty. Follow this advice:

Plagiarism	
Do Trust the value of your own intellect. Undertake research honestly and credit others for their work.	Don't Don't purchase papers or have someone write a paper for you. Don't copy ideas, data or exact wording without citing your source.
Unauthorized Collaboration	
Do Trust the value of your own intellect.	Don't Don't collaborate with another student beyond the extent specifically approved by the instructor.
Cheating	
Do Demonstrate your own achievement. Accept corrections from the instructor as part of the learning process. Do original work for each class.	Don't Don't copy answers from another student; don't ask another student to do your work for you. Don't fabricate results. Don't use electronic or other devices during exams. Don't alter graded exams and submit them for re-grading. Don't submit projects or papers that have been done for a previous class.
Facilitating Academic Dishonesty	
Do Showcase your own abilities.	Don't Don't allow another student to copy your answers on assignments or exams. Don't take an exam or complete an assignment for another student.