

Touro University Nevada: Best Practices in the Promotion of Academic Integrity

Touro College and University System (TCUS), including the TUN College of Osteopathic Medicine and College of Health and Human Services, is a community of scholars and learners committed to maintaining the highest standards of personal integrity in all aspects of our professional and academic lives. Because intellectual integrity is a hallmark of scholarly and scientific inquiry as well as a core value of the Jewish tradition, students and faculty are expected to share a mutual respect for teaching, learning and the development of knowledge. They are expected to adhere to the highest standards of honesty, fairness, professional conduct of academic work and respect for all community members.

Academic dishonesty undermines our shared intellectual culture and our ability to trust one another. Faculty and administration bear a major responsibility for promoting a climate of integrity, both in the clarity with which they state their expectations and in the vigilance with which they monitor students. Students must avoid all acts of dishonesty, including, but not limited to, cheating on examinations, fabricating, tampering, lying and plagiarizing, as well as facilitating or tolerating the dishonesty of others. Academic dishonesty lowers scholastic quality and defrauds those who will eventually depend on the knowledge and integrity of our graduates.

The Touro College and University System views violations of academic integrity with the utmost gravity. Such violations will lead to appropriate sanctions, up to and including expulsion from the college community. We commit ourselves to the shared vision of academic excellence that can only flourish in a climate of integrity.

--Taken from TCUS's Academic Integrity Policy

Best practices include:

- TUN Faculty and Staff role model appropriate academic and professional behaviors in order to support an environment that promotes academic integrity.
- Each syllabus provides a reference to the TCUS Academic Integrity policy.
- Students are expected to display appropriate academic and professional behaviors in accordance with the precepts outlined in the Touro College and University System Academic Integrity Policy.
- TUN students who participate in programs that are primarily taught on campus receive an in-person orientation which includes a session focused on Academic Integrity.
- Each student who participates in academic program that is primarily taught on campus signs a statement that they have access to the Academic Integrity Policy and that they will familiarize themselves with all University policies.
- Each student who participates in an academic program that is taught primarily online will receive information on the Academic Integrity policy.
- Students are taught to embody the practices and standards that are part of their chosen profession.