

DICKINSON COLLEGE

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY FACT SHEET

What is Scholarly Discourse?

We create scholarly discourse when we use the words and ideas of others in conjunction with our original words and thoughts. When you cite the work of others, you are showing respect for the authors and providing readers with resources for more information. However, YOU are responsible for adhering to Community Standards, including standards for academic conduct and integrity.

WHAT IS PLAGIARISM?

1. Copying the complete work of others
2. Using quotes without giving proper credit
3. Paraphrasing, or summarizing the work of others without giving proper credit
4. Failure to cite when restating the words and phrases of others

WAYS TO AVOID PLAGIARISM

1. Always give others credit for their words/ideas
2. Cite ALL sources
3. Use quotation marks around exact words/phrases
4. Know what citation style to use
5. When paraphrasing, cite your source
6. Avoid patch writing
7. Know College and professor expectations
8. Always acknowledge the work of others

Why does plagiarism matter?

- Plagiarism creates a divide between students who cheat and those who do not, as well as between students who get away with it and those who do not.
- Distrust between faculty members and students
- Defeats the purpose of education; students who plagiarize do not utilize their own intelligence
- Violates trust, fairness, and attitude of academic community

**102 Dickinson students
have been found
responsible for plagiarism
since 2009**

CONSEQUENCES

Some possible consequences for plagiarism at Dickinson include...

Stayed suspension,

Failing grade in assignment,

Failing the course,

Outright suspension,

Expulsion