

Course: \_\_\_\_\_

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### Statement on Plagiarism and Academic Dishonesty

I have heard either the teacher's discussion of plagiarism and academic dishonesty or read the assigned materials covering these topics. I understand that I must use research conventions to cite and clearly mark other people's ideas and words within my paper. I understand that plagiarism is an act of intellectual dishonesty as is cheating. I understand it is academically unethical and unacceptable to do any of the following acts:

- ❖ To submit an essay written in whole or in part by another student or writer as if it were my own.
- ❖ To download or cut-and-paste from an essay from the Internet, then quote or paraphrase from it, in whole or in part, without acknowledging the original source.
- ❖ To restate a clever phrase *verbatim* from another writer without acknowledging the source.
- ❖ To paraphrase part of another writer's work without acknowledging the source with a citation clearly distinguishing that material from my own. (Note that using one citation at the end of a paragraph is insufficient to mark multiple passages in that paragraph as another writer's work).
- ❖ To reproduce the general substance or organization of another writer's argument without acknowledging the source.
- ❖ To reproduce unattributed facts, dates, statistics, percentages, etc., without citation when they are the fruit of another researcher's labor.
- ❖ To take work originally done for one instructor's assignment and re-submit it to another teacher as if it were unique to his or her class.
- ❖ To ask a family member, another student, or any other writer to produce an essay on my behalf, or allow others to revise that material so thoroughly that the product is largely the fruit of another's labor.
- ❖ To purchase essays and submit them as my own from an online source (or any other source).
- ❖ To cheat on tests or quizzes through the use of crib sheets, hidden notes or signals, viewing another student's paper, revealing the answers on my own paper to another student, through verbal or textual communication, sign language, or other means of storing and communicating information, including electronic devices, recording devices, cellular telephones, headsets, and portable computers.
- ❖ To photograph an examination and pass it on to a student who will be taking that examination later.
- ❖ To copy another student's homework answers and submit the work as if it were the product of my own labor.
- ❖ To fail to do my own portion of group work or to take credit for work done by other members in my group.
- ❖ To take turns "swapping" reading assignments and doing homework with other students.
- ❖ To allow another student to "borrow" my work and reproduce it as his or her own.

I understand that the consequences for committing any of the previous acts of academic dishonesty can include a failing grade for the assignment or quiz, failure in the class as a whole, and even expulsion from the college as in listed the "Academic Policies" section of the *Carson-Newman Catalog*. I will not plagiarize or cheat.

Name (Print Legibly): \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

(Signature) \_\_\_\_\_

Print or save a copy of the material above for your own records and submit one signed copy to your teacher. Do not sign it until the teacher has answered any remaining questions you might have, as your signature indicates you understand this definition.