

Student Frequently Asked Questions

What happens if I have been accused of a violation of the Academic Misconduct policy?

Your faculty member will report the violation to the office of Academic Affairs and Research. From there, you will receive a letter in your student e-mail account from Academic Affairs and Research, which will include a request for an administrative meeting. You will have five (5) business days to respond to the meeting request. If no response is received during this timeframe, you will accept responsibility for the allegation by default, thus accepting any sanctions imposed by your faculty member.

What happens during the Academic Affairs and Research meeting?

The Academic Misconduct Coordinator will read the report submitted by your faculty member, as well as share any supporting documentation attached to the report. During this time, you will have the opportunity to ask questions and share concerns. At the end of the meeting, you will have the opportunity to accept or deny responsibility.

What happens if I accept responsibility?

If it is the first time you have been reported for academic misconduct, you will be required to complete a brief Educational Module in your Blackboard account. Additionally, you will accept the sanction imposed by your faculty.

What happens if I do not accept responsibility?

You will have five (5) business days to request a University Academic Integrity Committee (UAIC) hearing. If you choose to request a UAIC hearing, the Academic Misconduct Coordinator will work with you to explain the process, set up the meeting, and assist with any questions or needs that may arise. After the UAIC reviews the case, they will determine whether you are responsible for academic misconduct. The UAIC does not determine or change sanctions.

What kind of sanctions can be imposed?

Sanctions include but are not limited to: completion of the Educational Module, a failing grade for the assignment, a failing grade for the course, dismissal from your academic program, or dismissal from the University.

What happens if I am reported more than once?

Multiple violations of academic integrity may result in more serious sanctions such as failure for the course, dismissal from your academic program, etc.

Can I drop my course to avoid the sanction?

No. When a report is received, the Academic Misconduct Coordinator places a hold on your account until the case is resolved.