DePaul University is a learning community that fosters the pursuit of knowledge and the transmission of ideas within a context that emphasizes a sense of responsibility for oneself, for others and for society at large. To preserve the quality of education offered to students, the university is responsible for maintaining academic integrity and protecting all those who depend on it, including DePaul’s community partners and institutional affiliates. Violations of academic integrity, in any of their forms, are, therefore, detrimental to the values of DePaul, to the students’ own development as responsible members of society, to the pursuit of knowledge, and to the transmission of ideas. All members of the university community share the responsibility for creating conditions that support academic integrity.

Violations of academic integrity include but are not limited to the following categories: cheating; plagiarism; fabrication; falsification or sabotage of research data; destruction or misuse of the university’s academic resources, alteration or falsification of academic records; academic misconduct; and complicity. Violations do not require intent. This policy applies to all courses, programs, learning contexts, and other activities at the university, including but not limited to experiential and service-learning courses, study abroad programs, internships, student teaching, providing false information on an application, and not disclosing requested information. If an instructor finds that a student has violated the Academic Integrity Policy, the appropriate initial sanction is at the instructor’s discretion. Actions taken by the instructor do not preclude the university from taking further action, including dismissal from the university. Conduct that is punishable under the Academic Integrity Policy could also result in criminal or civil prosecution.

Additional Information and the complete Academic Integrity policy can be found on the Academic Integrity website (https://offices.depaul.edu/academic-affairs/faculty-resources/academic-integrity/Pages/default.aspx).