# Academic Integrity Rules\* for assignments in COMP 250 Fall 2021

Actons in green are what is permitted (Do's). Actions in red are what is NOT permitted (Don'ts)

- Understanding the assignment:
  - Discuss the meaning of the assignment with your classmates
  - Consult the notes, slides, textbook, and any links to websites provided by the professor(s) and TA(s)
  - Ask the professor and TAs for clarification on assignment and coding ideas.
  - Discuss possible solution with other students, without putting anything in writing.
  - Don't discuss the assignment with individuals that are outside of the course.

### Writing

- Write the solution code on your own
- Don't search for solutions or partial solutions in public code repositories (coursehero, chegg, or similar)
- Don't hire someone to do the assignment for you
- Don't copy or modify code from a web repository or other source, even if you reference it

#### Debugging

- Debug the code on your own
- Debug code with help of the professor, TA, CSUS helpdesk, or classmate; in this case, the help is only to fix coding errors using the debugger, not to come up with a design solution or algorithm
- Don't get help in coming up with a design solution or algorithm (including from a TA, CSUS help desk, or anyone else)

#### Validation

Share test cases with your classmates

## Collaboration

- Don't show your solution code to classmates to help them understand your solution (even the code is partially complete)
- Don't post code screenshots publically on the course discussion board

#### After the assignment:

- Don't backup your code to a *public* searchable repository/service like github
- Don't share (email, dropbox link, etc) your files with anyone other than students in the course even after before solutions have been released. (The reason this is not allowed is that sometimes we delay solutions if some students have been given special permission to submit late.)

<sup>\*</sup>This document was modified from a checklist by Joseph Vybihal.