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1. Why does academic honesty matter?

Because it is a moral code that builds trust between students and other scholars. It shows whether a person is trustworthy. Without this, no academic community can flourish, because all academic work is based on the understanding that everyone engaged in academic speaking, research and teaching is honest, diligent and respectful.

1. How is academic dishonesty harmful to you, your classmates, and our broader society?

Academic dishonesty will cause unfairness, because when a violation is unreported, students who take the easy way out will be rewarded. Moreover, people’s grade and degree will be devalued. Finally, academic integrity is important because it gives you peace of mind, knowing that you believe in doing the right thing, and always strive to act in accordance with these beliefs.

1. How might academic dishonesty in college impact you in your future career?

Students are preparing for careers where they will provide services to others—legal, journalistic, medical, research, etc. If they do not learn how to do this work, they will have to cheat their future employers and clients of a knowledgeable professional. Moreover, with the habit of being dishonesty, they will have other deceptive behavior which can cause severe consequences.