

# 1 Academic Honesty Policy

Since a student will be receiving an individual grade for the course, it is imperative that all work turned in by each student reflect only his or her individual effort. Any attempt to collaborate on the answer to assigned work like homeworks, projects or exams will minimally result in receiving a zero on that assignment and having your letter grade for the course being dropped by one position: i.e. an A- will become a B+ and a B will become a B-. This penalty will be imposed in order to be fair to the vast majority of students who are turning in work based solely on their individual efforts.

- Discussing material covered in class or even the questions on an assignment is encouraged. However, you are **not** permitted to discuss the **answers** to any of the questions.
- For homeworks, you are encouraged to use external resources like the WWW or the library. However, your answer should always acknowledge and cite these external sources.
- When using the WWW for assignments, your use should be **passive** rather than **active**. You may passively look at material already present, but should not actively ask questions related to the assignment.
- If an answer or portion of an answer is taken verbatim from an external source, then it must be clearly indicated. This must be done even if this is taken from an earlier solution.
- If you do the work for an assignment but let a friend copy from that assignment, you will also be penalized.