

CIS351 Academic Integrity Policy - Fall 2020

You should have read the academic integrity policy for CIS 351, by the end of first week of the semester. It is posted in your syllabus and here: <https://farahman.github.io/aipolicy.html>

As stated in the course syllabus, I expect all students to abide by Syracuse University's Academic Integrity policy. In particular, I expect you to (1) credit your sources, (2) do your own work, (3) communicate honestly, and (4) support academic integrity. Here are some course-specific guidelines for CIS351:

- In CIS351 course, you are allowed to collaborate and discuss about labs and in-class activities.
- However, **homework problems** in this course are to be done **INDIVIDUALLY**.
- It is a violation of academic integrity to deliberately misrepresent your work. Such misrepresentations include (but are not limited to) altering previously graded work or altering a transcript to make it appear that code works correctly when it does not.
- If you happen to find a solution to a problem in a written source (e.g., in a textbook or on the web) and use that solution, you should state the original source. Even when citing the original source, you should be expressing the result in your own words (or code): do not simply copy someone else's work.
- If you get help from someone (either a classmate or someone else) on a problem, you should state that (and give their full name).
- In this course, it is legitimate to discuss problems with each other at a conceptual level: for example, it's okay to figure out how to break a problem up into smaller, easier-to-solve pieces, or to discuss general approaches to solving a problem. However, the final solution must be your own: it is not legitimate to share code or other written solutions with anyone other than members of your group. All participants in improper sharing are culpable: for example, if person **A sends code to person B**, **both** parties have committed academic-integrity violations.
- For each homework assignment, you will need to **complete, sign, and attach a disclosure cover sheet**. The purpose of this cover sheet is twofold: (1) to remind you of your academic-integrity responsibilities and (2) to provide you an opportunity to disclose sources of assistance and to navigate safely the nebulous boundary of what constitutes "legitimate discussion at a conceptual level".

Note that, when **two people submit joint HW work**, **they both must sign the form**: signing for someone else is not permitted.

- If you are unsure whether a certain action constitutes an academic-integrity violation, then assume that it does until/unless you receive clarification.
- Finally, in this course, **cheating on an exam includes**, but is not limited to:
 - taking answers from another student's exam or paper or allowing another student to take answers from your exam or paper

- the use of notes or other materials not allowed or approved by the instructor
- collaboration on a take-home or online exam unless the collaboration is approved by the instructor
- allowing another student to take a take-home or on-line exam for you and representing the work on the exam as your own
- copying materials from a computer file during an exam when the instructor has not designated the use of computer files
- talking to other students during a test
- Keeping your files/documents unsecured
- Altering or destroying file or any evidence

Honor Pledge

I have read and understood the course Honor Policy, and I hereby promise to abide by it. I realize that the penalty for breaking this policy is a reduction in course grade, including the possibility of receiving a failing grade (F). In addition, I realize that violations of SU's Academic Integrity Policy will be reported to the Office of Academic Integrity.

Printed Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Email Address: _____