



# Honor Board

Stevens Institute of Technology  
Hoboken, New Jersey



## Recommended Penalty Matrix

Type of Violation	Penalty
<b>Homework</b>	
<b>Copying/Giving Answers</b>	<b>Minimum</b> Zero on the assignment, Removable Academic Sanction pending a five page essay.
	<b>Maximum</b> Full letter grade drop in the course, Removable Academic Sanction pending the ethics course.
<b>Lack of Referencing</b>	<b>Minimum</b> Partial credit on the assignment, Removable Academic Sanction pending a five page essay.
	<b>Maximum</b> Zero on the assignment, Removable Academic Sanction pending the ethics course.
<b>Prohibited Collaboration</b>	<b>Minimum</b> Partial credit on the assignment, Removable Academic Sanction pending the ethics course.
	<b>Maximum</b> Zero on the assignment, Removable Academic Sanction pending the ethics course.
<b>Exam/Assignment</b>	
<b>Plagiarism (less than a paragraph)</b>	<b>Minimum</b> Partial credit on the assignment, Removable Academic Sanction pending a five page essay.
	<b>Maximum</b> Zero on the assignment, Academic Sanction.

<b>Plagiarism (greater than/equal to a paragraph)</b>	<b>Minimum</b> Zero on the assignment, Removable Academic Sanction pending the ethics course.
	<b>Maximum</b> Failure in the course, Academic Sanction.
<b>Giving/Receiving Aid (less than 15% of the final grade)</b>	<b>Minimum</b> Zero on the assignment, Removable Academic Sanction pending five page essay.
	<b>Maximum</b> Failure in the course, Removable Academic Sanction pending the ethics course.
<b>Giving/Receiving Aid (15%-25% of the final grade)</b>	<b>Minimum</b> Zero on the assignment, Removable Academic Sanction pending the ethics course.
	<b>Maximum</b> Failure in the course, Academic Sanction.
<b>Giving/Receiving Aid (greater than 25% of the final grade)</b>	<b>Minimum</b> Failure in the course, Removable Academic Sanction pending the ethics course.
	<b>Maximum</b> Failure in the course, Academic Sanction, One year suspension.
<b>Take/Taken Test or Quiz</b>	Expulsion, Failure in the course.
<b>Final Exam/Assignment</b>	
<b>Giving/Receiving Aid or Plagiarism</b>	<b>Minimum</b> Failure in the course, Academic Sanction.
	<b>Maximum</b> Failure in the course, Academic Sanction, One year suspension.
<b>Giving/Receiving Prior Knowledge</b>	Expulsion, Failure in the course.

<b>Take/Taken Final</b>	Expulsion, Failure in the course.
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	
<b>Falsifying Attendance Sheet</b>	<b>Minimum</b> Zero for the attendance portion of the final grade.
	<b>Maximum</b> Full letter grade drop in the course, Removable Academic Sanction pending the ethics course.
<b>Forged Grade</b>	<b>Minimum</b> Failure in the course, Academic Sanction, One Semester Suspension.
	<b>Maximum</b> Expulsion, Failure in the course.
<b>Perjury</b>	Expulsion
<b>Prior knowledge of the content of a test, midterm, or final through stealing, seizure, purchase, et cetera.</b>	Expulsion, Failure in the course, Academic Sanction.
<b>Purposeful Breach of Confidentiality</b>	<b>Minimum</b> One semester suspension
	<b>Maximum</b> Expulsion.
<b>Second or Further Violation</b>	<b>Minimum</b> One semester suspension, Academic Sanction
	<b>Maximum</b> Expulsion
<b>Violating Exam Room Conditions</b>	<b>Minimum</b> Removable Academic Sanction pending the ethics course.
	<b>Maximum</b> Zero on the exam, Academic Sanction.

Ethics Course	
<b>Plagiarism/Unauthorized Aid</b>	<b>Minimum</b> Failure in the ethics course resulting in an Academic Sanction.
	<b>Maximum</b> Expulsion.

*Last Edited by N.Csapo 2/16/17*

### **Notes**

1. Penalties are assigned on a case-by-case basis. Aggravating and mitigating factors will be considered in the rendering of the final penalty. Factors that are considered include, but are not limited to:
  - a. Class year of student
  - b. Type of assignment
  - c. Amount of assignment affected by the infraction
  - d. Number of assignments affected by the infraction
  - e. Premeditation
  - f. Malicious intent
  - g. Cooperation during the investigation
  - h. Second or Further Violation
2. All assigned Academic Sanctions are set to last for the duration of the student's matriculation at Stevens.
3. Any inquiries should be directed to the Honor Board at [honor@stevens.edu](mailto:honor@stevens.edu).