

Re: Academic Integrity - CSC370-W22-Chester-Everything-V00927502

From Sean Chester <schester@uvic.ca>
To naumhoffman <naumhoffman@uvic.ca>, Rich Little <rlittle@uvic.ca>
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Dear Naum:

Thanks to you and Brandon and Isaac for your candid admission, which shows a higher degree of integrity than this particular offense. I hope that you might take my course in the summer and find more avenues for success than this Spring semester presented.

--Sean.

From: naumhoffman <naumhoffman@uvic.ca>
Sent: March 25, 2022 8:40 PM
To: Rich Little
Cc: Sean Chester
Subject: Re: Academic Integrity - CSC370-W22-Chester-Everything-V00927502

Dear Dr.Little and Dr.Chester,

As you both already know, I did collaborate with the two other students mentioned in the thread. I sincerely apologize for my actions, and I do not believe those actions reflect my genuine character. I'm writing this email to further give some backstory that I feel wasn't mentioned in my meeting with Dr.Chester today. I have known those two other students for a couple years now, and I live with one of them. We study and talk about coursework together all the time, and all three of us are close friends. However, this time, I recognize that we overstepped our bounds, and embarrassed the reputation of this University. I believe all three of us found Dr. Chester's assignments really challenging, but that's no excuse to collaborate to the extent that we did. Despite the punishment to come, I am glad this happened. Dr.Chester deserves praise for keeping the integrity of the University intact. I have learned my lesson, this will NEVER happen again, and I look forward to taking this course once more in the near future.

Sincerely,
Naum Hoffman
V00927502

On 2022-03-23 12:19, Rich Little wrote:

Dear Naum,

I am contacting you in my role as a member of the Academic Integrity Committee (AIC), Department of Computer Science. Dr. Sean Chester has alleged that you may have committed several academic integrity violations in their course (CSC 370 – 202201). It appears that you have largely or fully plagiarized a piece of work, aided others to cheat and taken part in repeated unauthorized collaborations. I have attached the instructor's allegation for your information below:

“This student is part of a cluster of students who have collaborated on all assessments so far. The three linked here are a subset for whom there is sufficient evidence to report already.”

Please note: the mandate of the AIC is to determine whether an academic integrity violation is more likely than another explanation for the evidence found.

In accordance with the University's policy on [Academic Integrity](#), you are given the opportunity to respond to this allegation. At your choice, you may respond to this allegation with an explanation either by email (preferred) or at personal meeting with myself, the instructor and, at your prior request, another party who may serve as your advisor (see AI policy).

If you would like to respond by email, please send me your response (admission or explanation) by the following deadline: Friday, March 25, 2022.

If you would like to respond at an in-person meeting, please send me your availability for the week of Monday, March 28 to Friday, April 1, 2022, by the above deadline, so I can arrange for a meeting time during that day.

If you do not respond to this email by the above deadline, we will make a recommendation without your response.

Sincerely,

Dr. Rich Little
Member, Academic Integrity Committee
Department of Computer Science