

SPRING/SUMMER 2018 CASE DIGEST



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Charges	Plea	Judgement	Sanctions
Cheating - Plagiarism	Responsible	OER	Disciplinary Probation through Fall 2018; Letter of Apology
<p>The student plagiarized portions of a final paper submitted for a course. The student failed to cite the text of the unoriginal material. The student was eligible to resolve the matter through OER, in which the student agreed to a set of facts and the sanction.</p>			
Charges	Plea	Judgement	Sanctions
Cheating – Use of Unauthorized Materials	Responsible	Responsible (6-0)	Deferred Disciplinary Suspension through Spring 2018; Letter of Apology; Recommended F on Exam
<p>The student accessed unauthorized online material during a final exam for a course. The student agreed to a summary of facts and pleaded responsible. The panel found no reason to contest the testimony of any party, and subsequently determined deferred suspension to be the primary sanction.</p>			
Charges	Plea	Judgement	Sanctions
Cheating – Use of Unauthorized Materials	Responsible	Responsible (6-0)	Deferred Disciplinary Suspension through Fall 2018; Reflection Paper; Time Management Workshop; Recommended F on Assignment
<p>The student consulted class notes while taking a final exam for a course. The panel considered the extent of the violation, the intent to cheat, and the impact on the professor and community in coming to its decision of deferred disciplinary suspension.</p>			
Charges	Plea	Judgement	Sanctions
Cheating – Use of Unauthorized Materials; Lying; Lying	Not Responsible; Responsible; Responsible	Responsible; Responsible; Responsible (6-0)	Suspension Through Spring 2018; Letter of Apology; Recommended Course Failure

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	<p>The student used outside materials on an exam despite clear instructions otherwise. The student lied to a professor about their whereabouts in an attempt to reschedule an exam. The student then lied again to the professor again regarding their availability to reschedule an exam. The panel determined that due to the gravity of the offenses and the clear attempt to gain an unfair academic advantage, the violations warranted suspension.</p>		
Charges	Plea	Judgement	Sanctions
Cheating – Plagiarism	Responsible	Responsible (6-0)	Suspension Through Fall 2018; Letter of Apology; Recommended F on Assignment; Recommended Continued Counseling
	<p>The student plagiarized a large portion of a final paper for a course. The panel did not find any reason to deviate from the presumptive initial level of sanction of suspension.</p>		
Charges	Plea	Judgement	Sanctions
Cheating – Plagiarism	Responsible	OER	Reduction of Grade; Resubmission
	<p>The student failed to cite numerous sources in a paper submitted as a final assignment for a course. The case was eligible to be resolved through the faculty-student early resolution process, resulting in the outcome of a grade reduction and required resubmission of the work without additional credit.</p>		
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Charges	Plea	Judgement	Sanctions
Cheating – Unauthorized Assistance/ Collaboration	Responsible	OER	Reduction of Grade; Academic Enrichment Workshop
	<p>The student received unauthorized assistance on a final exam. The case was eligible to be resolved through the faculty-student early resolution process, resulting in the outcome of a grade reduction and required consultation with Academic Enrichment.</p>		
Charges	Plea	Judgement	Sanctions
Cheating – Plagiarism; Cheating – Directions Violation	Responsible; Responsible	Responsible; Responsible (6-0)	Suspension Through Spring 2018; Letter of Apology; Recommended Community Service; Recommended Time Management Workshop; Recommended Continued Counseling; Recommended Credit Limit; Recommended Failure on Assignment
	<p>The student heavily referenced outside material on a course project, violating the assignment instructions. The student represented the outside material as their own work. The panel found no reason to contest the student's plea of responsibility, and subsequently determined to impose a sanction of suspension, finding no reason to deviate from the preliminary initial level of sanction.</p>		

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Cheating – Plagiarism	Responsible	OER	Disciplinary Probation Through Fall 2018; Letter of Apology
	The student plagiarized portions of a paper submitted for a course. The student failed to cite the text of the unoriginal material. The student was eligible to resolve the matter via OER, in which the student agreed to a set of facts and the sanction.		
Charges	Plea	Judgement	Sanctions
Cheating – Directions Violation	Responsible	Responsible (6-0)	Disciplinary Probation Through Fall 2018; Letter of Apology; Academic Integrity Seminar; Reflection Paper
	The student accessed online materials on a course assignment, violating instructions that no outside sources be used. The panel found no reason to contest the plea of responsibility, and determined a sanction of disciplinary probation, consistent with a Level II violation, to be an appropriate sanction.		
Charges	Plea	Judgement	Sanctions
Stealing	Responsible	Responsible (6-0)	Deferred Disciplinary Suspension Through Spring 2019; Letter of Apology; Restitution; Recommended Continued Counseling
	The student used another student’s ID to purchase items at the Student Exchange. The student pleaded responsible and signed a summary of facts. The panel determined that based on the amount of money stolen and the impact on the community, it was proper to assign deferred disciplinary suspension as the primary sanction.		
Charges	Plea	Judgement	Sanctions
Stealing	Not Responsible	Not Responsible (6-0)	N/A
	The student was accused of eating at the Sadler Center Dining Hall without using meal swipes, dining dollars, or providing an alternative form of payment. The panel concluded it could not determine beyond all reasonable doubt that the student intended to deprive the College of payment for the meal.		
Charges	Plea	Judgement	Sanctions
Cheating – Unauthorized Collaboration/Assistance	Responsible	OER	Warning; Letter of Apology; Recommended F on Assignment
	The student collaborated with another student on an assignment and submitted a modified version of that assignment for a course, despite instructions that students not collaborate on the assignment. The panel determined that the gravity and scope of the violation warranted a warning.		
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Cheating – Unauthorized Collaboration/Assistance	Responsible	OER	Warning; Letter of Apology; Recommended F on Assignment
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Cheating – Plagiarism	Responsible	OER	F on Assignment
	The student failed to cite sources in a paper submitted for a course. The case was eligible to be resolved through the faculty-student early resolution process, resulting in the outcome of a grade reduction on the assignment.		
Charges	Plea	Judgement	Sanctions
Lying	Not Responsible	Responsible (6-0)	Permanent Dismissal
	The student submitted a forged document to a university official in an attempt to deceive the university and regain status as a student in good standing with the College. In its decision, the panel considered a history of a previous violation of the Honor Code, the student’s inability to comprehend that the actions violated the Honor Code, and the extent and impact of the violation on university officials and the community. The student appealed to the Provost for review, and the Provost upheld the sanction.		
Charges	Plea	Judgement	Sanctions
Cheating – Use of Unauthorized Materials	Responsible	Responsible (6-0)	Deferred Disciplinary Suspension Through Spring 2018; Letter of Apology; Recommended F in Course
	The student consulted online resources and a course study guide while taking an exam in a course. The panel mitigated the sanction from the preliminary initial level of sanction of a suspension to deferred disciplinary suspension through Fall 2018 despite the scope of the violation because of the student’s understanding of the violation, its impact, and the concrete steps the student had taken to prevent and learn from the violation. The student appealed to the Provost for review, and the Provost found the sanction imposed by the Honor Council to be excessive, and modified the sanction to deferred disciplinary suspension through Spring 2018.		
Charges	Plea	Judgement	Sanctions
Cheating – Plagiarism	Not Responsible	Not Responsible (3-0)	N/A
	The student was accused of plagiarizing portions of an essay. The panel determined the student did not intend to deceive nor intend to disregard proper scholarly procedure.		
Charges	Plea	Judgement	Sanctions
Cheating – Unauthorized Assistance/Collaboration	Responsible	Responsible (3-0)	Disciplinary Suspension Through Fall 2018; Letter of Apology; Recommended Credit Limit; Recommended F in Course
	The student consulted another student’s paper while taking a final exam for a course. The panel found no reason to contest the student’s plea of responsibility, and subsequently determined to impose a sanction of suspension, finding no reason to deviate from the Presumptive Initial Level of Sanctioning.		
Charges	Plea	Judgement	Sanctions
Cheating – Plagiarism; Cheating - Unauthorized	Not Responsible	Responsible (6-0)	Permanent Dismissal
	The student looked at another person’s test to complete their own. The student also plagiarized on a final paper and lied to their professor about the incident. The student		

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Assistance/Collaboration; Lying	had a prior record with the Honor Council. Considering this record and the gravity of the new violations, the panel considered Permanent Dismissal the appropriate sanction.		
Charges	Plea	Judgement	Sanctions
Cheating – Unauthorized Assistance/Collaboration	Responsible	Responsible (6-0)	Disciplinary Probation; Letter of Reflection
	The student looked at another person’s paper during an exam to complete his own test. The student agreed to a summary of facts and pleaded responsible. The panel considered the extraordinary circumstances of the student at the time and therefore assigned Disciplinary Probation as the primary sanction.		
Charges	Plea	Judgement	Sanctions
Cheating – Use of Unauthorized Materials; Cheating – Plagiarism; Cheating – Unauthorized Assistance/Collaboration; Lying	Not Responsible	Responsible (6-0)	Permanent Dismissal
	The student faced multiple charges of cheating after repeatedly using unauthorized sources for exams in the class. The student had a prior record with the Honor Council. The panel assigned Permanent Dismissal after considering the student’s record and current violations.		
Charges	Plea	Judgement	Sanctions
Cheating – Use of Unauthorized Materials	Responsible	Responsible (3-0)	Deferred Disciplinary Suspension through Fall 2018; Recommended Counseling; Check – in with Dean of Students Office
	The student used information from unauthorized sources to complete an online exam. The student agreed to a summary of facts and pleaded responsible. The panel did not dispute this testimony, but also considered extraordinary factors in assigning a primary sanction of Deferred Disciplinary Suspension.		
Charges	Plea	Judgement	Sanctions
Cheating – Unauthorized Assistance/Collaboration; Lying	Responsible	Responsible (6-0)	Deferred Disciplinary Suspension through Fall 2018; Letters of Apology and Reflection; Recommended Continued Counseling; Recommended Failure on the Exam
	The student consulted an unauthorized source to gain information during the exam and lied to the source about their identity. The panel found no reason to contest the student’s plea of responsibility and considered the extent of the violation and the unfair advantage gained when assigning Deferred Disciplinary Suspension as the primary sanction.		
Charges	Plea	Judgement	Sanctions
Cheating – Unauthorized Assistance/Collaboration	Responsible	Responsible (3-0)	Deferred Disciplinary Suspension Through Fall 2018; Letter of Apology; Recommended Grade Reduction
	The student sent another student their assignment on three separate occasions, which the other student turned in as their own work, in violation of the instructions		

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	governing collaboration in the course. After considering the student's intent, the testimony of the Reporting Party, and other factors, the panel mitigated the sanction from suspension to deferred suspension.		
Charges	Plea	Judgement	Sanctions
Cheating – Unauthorized Assistance/Collaboration	Not Responsible	Responsible(6-0)	Indefinite Suspension through at least Fall 2018; Letter of apology; Recommended failure in the course; Academic Integrity Seminar and letter of reflection; Time Management Seminar
	The student heavily referenced another student's work to complete their own assignments in the course. The panel considered the severe extent of the violation and the student's lack of appreciation of academic integrity when assigning a primary sanction of indefinite suspension. After Fall 2018, the student had a Reinstatement Hearing where the panel considered the student's personal growth and new understanding when granting re-admission.		
Charges	Plea	Judgement	Sanctions
Cheating – Unauthorized Assistance/Collaboration	Responsible	Responsible (6-0)	Disciplinary Suspension through Fall 2018; Letter of Apology; Recommended failure in the course
	The student worked with another student in an unauthorized manner when completing projects for a class. The panel assigned Disciplinary Suspension after considering the extent of the violation and the class's collaboration polity. The student appealed the decision and the Provost mitigated the sanction to Deferred Disciplinary Suspension.		
Charges	Plea	Judgement	Sanctions
Cheating – Unauthorized Assistance/Collaboration	Not Responsible	Responsible	Indefinite Suspension through at least Fall 2018; Letters of apology and reflection; Recommended failure in the course
	The student provided and solicited unauthorized aid on multiple assignments for a course. The extent of the violation, combined with a prior record of Honor Code violations, led the panel to determine an indefinite suspension to be an appropriate primary sanction.		
Charges	Plea	Judgement	Sanctions
Cheating – Unauthorized Assistance/Collaboration	Not Responsible	Not Responsible (6-0)	N/A
	The professor of the class initially suspected the student's involvement in cheating on multiple assignments based on some similarities to other students' work. However, the panel found no evidence beyond a reasonable doubt that the student used unauthorized aid, and therefore found the student not responsible after considering the student's, professor's and witnesses' testimonies.		

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Cheating – Unauthorized Assistance/Collaboration	Responsible	Responsible (6-0)	Deferred Disciplinary Suspension through Spring 2019; Letter of Apology; Recommended course failure
	The student received and provided unauthorized assistance on multiple assignments in the course. The panel considered the severity of the violation when determining its Presumptive Initial Level of Sanctioning, eventually concluding that the scope and student's intent warranted Deferred Disciplinary Suspension.		
Charges	Plea	Judgement	Sanctions
Cheating – Unauthorized Assistance/Collaboration	Not Responsible	Not Responsible (4-2)	N/A
	The student allegedly participated in unauthorized collaboration with another student while completing a course project. The alleged collaboration was prohibited in the course syllabus. The panel considered the evidence provided through the investigation and testimonies and did not find the student responsible for the alleged charge.		
Charges	Plea	Judgement	Sanctions
Cheating – Unauthorized Assistance/Collaboration	Not Responsible	Not Responsible (4-2)	N/A
	The student allegedly collaborated with another student while completing a course project. The alleged collaboration was considered a breach of the rules of collaboration as stated in the syllabus. The panel considered evidence provided through the Council's investigation and the testimonies of the parties when finding the student not responsible.		
Charges	Plea	Judgement	Sanctions
Cheating – Plagiarism	Not Responsible	Not Responsible (3-0)	N/A
	The student allegedly plagiarized by failing to properly cite work from an outside source. The panel reviewed the evidence and determined that the student had no intent to deceive or disregard scholarly procedure, and therefore found the student not responsible.		
Charges	Plea	Judgement	Sanctions
Cheating – Unauthorized Assistance / Collaboration; Cheating – Directions Violation	Not Responsible; Not Responsible	Responsible; Responsible (3-0)	Deferred Disciplinary Suspension through Fall 2018; Letter of Apology; Academic Integrity Seminar; Recommended F on Assignment
	The student used a file sent by another student to complete their own project, which went against policy stated on the syllabus. The panel decided that using someone else's work despite explicit instruction qualified as a Directions Violation and Unauthorized Assistance. The panel considered the extent of the violation when assigning Deferred Disciplinary Suspension through Fall 2018.		
Charges	Plea	Judgement	Sanctions
Cheating - Unauthorized Assistance /	Not Responsible; Responsible	Responsible; Responsible (3-0)	Disciplinary Probation through Fall 2018; Letter of Apology; Recommended F on Assignment

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Collaboration; Cheating – Directions Violation	The student used unauthorized aid from another student to modify their own assignment and therefore violated the syllabus policy, and warranting a finding of responsibility for Cheating – Unauthorized Assistance/Collaboration. The panel considered the scope of the assignment when assigning Disciplinary Probation.		
Charges	Plea	Judgement	Sanctions
Cheating – Unauthorized Assistance/Collaboration	Not Responsible	Responsible (6-0)	Disciplinary Probation through Spring 2019; Letter of Apology; Recommended F on Assignment
	The student submitted a project that was similar to another student's project and admitted to unauthorized collaboration. The panel assigned a primary sanction of Disciplinary Probation and considered the extent of the violation and the student's intent when making this decision.		
Charges	Plea	Judgement	Sanctions
Cheating – Unauthorized Assistance/Collaboration	Not Responsible	Responsible (6-0)	Disciplinary Probation through Spring 2019; Academic Integrity Seminar, Letter of Reflection, Recommended F on Assignment
	The student worked on a project with another student, violating collaboration guidelines stated in the course syllabus. This constituted a Level II violation, and the panel assigned the Presumptive Initial Level of Sanctioning of Disciplinary Probation for two semesters.		
Charges	Plea	Judgement	Sanctions
Lying	Not Responsible	Not Responsible (6-0)	N/A
	The student allegedly lied to a professor about a delay in turning in an assignment. The council determined that this miscommunication was not with intent to deceive and that the student gained no academic advantage from the event. Thus, the panel decided the student was not responsible.		
Charges	Plea	Judgement	Sanctions
Cheating – Plagiarism; Cheating – Directions Violation	Responsible; Responsible	Responsible; Responsible (6-0)	Deferred Disciplinary Suspension through Spring 2019; Time Management Workshop; Letter of Reflection
	The student copied work from an unauthorized outside source to complete work on a final project and claimed the work was original. The panel considered the scope of the violation, and the student's intent and appreciation for academic integrity when assigning Deferred Disciplinary Suspension to this Level III violation.		
Charges	Plea	Judgement	Sanctions
Cheating – Use of Unauthorized Materials; Cheating – Directions Violation	Responsible; Responsible	Responsible; Responsible (6-0)	Disciplinary Probation through Spring 2019; Recommended Counseling, Letter of Apology, Required Check-in with Student Care Support Services
	The student copied a solution for their final project from an unauthorized source. Although a Level III violation, the panel considered extraordinary factors facing the student at the time of the violation and assigned a primary sanctions of Disciplinary Probation.		
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Cheating – Unauthorized Assistance/Collaboration	Responsible	OER	Warning; Letter of Apology; One Letter Reduction of Final Grade
	The student used an unauthorized source to answer a bonus problem for class. The student was eligible to resolve the matter through OER, in which the student agreed to a summary of facts and assigned sanctions.		
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Cheating – Unauthorized Assistance/Collaboration; Cheating – Use of Unauthorized Materials	Responsible; Responsible	OER	Warning; Letter of Apology; One Letter Reduction of Final Grade
	The student used an unauthorized source to answer a bonus problem for class. The student was eligible to resolve the matter through OER, in which the student agreed to a summary of facts and assigned sanctions.		
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Cheating – Unauthorized Assistance/Collaboration; Cheating – Use of Unauthorized Materials	Responsible; Responsible	OER	Disciplinary Probation through Fall 2018; Letter of Apology; One letter and one sign deduction of Final Grade
	The student referenced another student's submission to complete their own work. Due to the scope of the violation, the student was eligible to resolve the matter through OER, in which the student agreed to a summary of facts and assigned sanctions.		