

**DEPARTMENT OF MECHANICAL, MATERIALS, AND  
AEROSPACE ENGINEERING**

**POLICY ON ACADEMIC HONESTY**

The Department of Mechanical, Materials, and Aerospace Engineering at Illinois Institute of Technology considers academic training to be apprenticeship for practice in the professions. Students are expected to demonstrate a code of moral integrity and ethical standards commensurate with the high expectations that society places upon professional practice.

Accordingly, it is the policy of the department to maintain the highest standard of academic honesty and integrity. The department prohibits any form of cheating that contributes, or is intended to contribute, to a student's grade in a course. This includes copying or unauthorized collaboration on homework, reports, computer programs, projects, etc., collaboration of any kind on an examination or quiz, or the unauthorized possession or use of any material or machine-stored information during an examination. It is a violation for a student, whether or not currently enrolled in the university, to knowingly engage or attempt to engage in the acquisition, without permission, of tests, answer sheets, problem solutions or other academic material when such material has been withheld from distribution by the instructor.

Students judged guilty of such offenses are subject to a failing grade in the course. In addition, the head of the student's major program will report the incident, and may make a recommendation for further disciplinary action, to the Associate Vice President for Student and Academic Affairs. The report of the incident will be placed in the student's permanent file and a copy will be sent to the dean of the student's college. Gross misconduct or a second offense would warrant a recommendation to initiate dismissal proceedings.

This policy will apply not only to a student guilty of any form of academic dishonesty, but also to any party who knowingly allows his or her work to be plagiarized.

This policy is consistent with the IIT Code of Academic Honesty  
([http://www.iit.edu/student\\_affairs/handbook/](http://www.iit.edu/student_affairs/handbook/))

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