Academic Integrity Office 2006–2007 Report

In accordance with the policies and procedures for the Academic Integrity Office adopted by the University Senate, "The AIO will compile and distribute a biannual report on the status of academic integrity on campus. This report will include information on violations resolved via instructor resolutions and hearings, with personally identifiable information removed...."

During the first full year of implementation for Syracuse University's Academic Integrity Policy, 127 violations were reported. Below is a chart with information about the number and type of violations, class level of students, hearings and hearing outcomes, as well as the number of violations by school/college.

This information is followed by another chart that gives details about each violation: type of violation, student's class level, description of violation/sanction, and hearing information. To protect instructor and student privacy, all personal information is omitted as well as specific details that could affect confidentiality.

Semester	Number of Violations
Fall	42
Spring	81
Maymester	1
Summer	3
Total Violations	127
Student Class Level	Number of Students
First Year Students	17
Sophomores	33
Juniors	19
Seniors	31
Graduate Students	26
Non-Matriculated Students	1
Total Number of Students with Violations	127
Type of Violations	
Use of Sources	80
Course Work & Research	34
Representations & Materials Misuse	11
Communications	2
Total	127

Students with 2 or More Violations	4		
School/College Hearings	Held		Pending
<u> </u>	11		7
			1
Hearing Outcomes			
Upheld Instructor Sanction	7		
Upheld Student Appeal	2		
Determined Sanction	1		
Complainant did not meet burden of proof	1		
University Level Appeal & Review	3		
School or College Where Violation Was Re	ported		
College of Arts & Sciences		66	
College of Human Services & Health Profession	ons	7	
College of Law		1	
College of Visual & Performing Arts		7	
Maxwell School of Citizenship & Public Affairs		6	
Newhouse School of Public Communications		2	
School of Architecture		0	
School of Education		12	
School of Information Studies		0	
Smith College of Engineering & Computer Science	ence	2	
SUNY College of Environmental Science & Fo	restry	NA	
University College		2	
Whitman School of Management		22	
Accused Students' Home School Or Colleg	e		
College of Arts & Sciences		35	
College of Human Services & Health Profession	ons	14	
College of Law		1	
College of Visual & Performing Arts		13	
Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affai	rs	6	
Newhouse School of Public Communications		3	
School of Architecture		1	
School of Education		12	
School of Information Studies	8		
Smith College of Engineering & Computer Science	ence	9	
SUNY College of Environmental Science & Fo		1	
University College	,	4	
Whitman School of Management		20	

Sanction

Hearing

University-Level

*Class

Type of

Violation

Violation Level Appeal & Review Plagiarized 0 on entire response significant portion of paper portion of the 1 2 Use of Sources response paper grade Copied entire paragraph from Internet site for 0 credit for 2 2 Use of Sources assignment assignment Reviewed note cards Course Work & in restroom during 3 2 Research exam 0 on exam No credit for thesis: Must take a comprehensive Plagiarized literature exam or do a faculty review for Master's guided research 4 5 Use of Sources thesis project Submitted paper significantly identical Course Work & to a paper submitted 5 4 0 on assignment Research in another course 1) counted absent when signature did not match actual Another student signed this student's presence; 2) 5 additional absences name as being Representations present in class: added to record = & Materials student did not 15 point grade 6 4 Misuse reduction submit quiz Large portion of paper plagiarized from various websites including a 7 Use of Sources 1 free student essay F on paper Plagiarized portion of paper from various 8 Use of Sources websites F on assignment 1 Cut & pasted from website with no 9 4 Use of Sources F on assignment attribution 1) Counted absent on days when signature did not match actual presence 2) 5 additional absences Another student Representations signed this student's added to record = & Materials name as being 15 point grade 10 Misuse present in class reduction Course Work & Received no credit Identical responses 11 3 Research for exam corrections for exam correction

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			credits			
12	3	Course Work & Research	Identical responses for exam correction credits	Received no credit for exam corrections		
13	5	Use of Sources	Cut and pasted from website with no attribution	F on assignment		
14	5	Use of Sources	Plagiarized book review from online source (2 times)	F in course		
15	4	Use of Sources	Plagiarized large portion of assignment from website	F on assignment		
16	4	Representations & Materials Misuse	Submitted duplicate programs for required concert attendance	Required to attend 8 more concerts		
17	1	Use of Sources	Improper attribution and material from online sources not assigned for paper	F in course		
18	4	Use of Sources	Submitted a paper received from a friend	F on assignment and an F for the course	Appealed violation & sanction; Hearing Panel upheld violation & sanction.	
19	4	Use of Sources	Submitted paper strikingly similar to the paper submitted by another student in the class	F on the assignment		
20	1	Use of Sources	Submitted four assignments taken from another student	F in course		
21	1	Use of Sources	Submitted an assignment without citations	F on assignment		
22	3	Use of Sources	Submitted an assignment with a missing citation	F on assignment		
23	1	Use of Sources	Paper included text from the Internet without citation	F on assignment		
24	2	Use of Sources	Plagiarized reflection paper assignment	F on assignment		
25	5	Use of Sources	Discussion questions plagiarized from several websites	Resubmit questions Course failure	Appealed sanction; Hearing Panel upheld sanction	University Appeal & Review Panel recommended failing grade for assignment as

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						maximum penalty.
26	4	Use of Sources	Plagiarized 4 extra credit writing assignments	No credit for assignments		
27	5	Use of Sources	Final take-home exam included sections without proper attribution	F for course	Appealed sanction; Hearing Panel upheld sanction	
28	4	Course Work & Research	Permitted, intentionally or not, another student to copy final exam answers	Final exam score reduced by half		
29	4	Course Work & Research	Used notes and pages from textbook during a make-up exam	0 for the exam		
30	2	Course Work & Research	Copied final exam answers from another student	0 on final exam		
31	2	Use of Sources	Plagiarized significant portions of a paper	0 on assignment		
32	1	Use of Sources	Short writing assignment & final paper had incorrect paraphrases and direct quotations without citations	No credit for assignments		
33	3	Use of Sources	Plagiarized nearly entire final research paper and essay on course materials	F on each paper; F in course		
34	2	Course Work & Research	Essentially identical lab report	Points deducted from report		
35	2	Course Work & Research	Essentially identical lab report	Points deducted from report	Appealed violation & sanction; Hearing Panel upheld appeal.	
36	5	Use of Sources	Both draft & final position paper contained many plagiarized sections	F for the course		
37	3	Use of Sources	Final paper contained plagiarized passages from various websites including Wikipedia	0 on assignment		
38	4	Course Work & Research	Identical final exam answers	0 on final exam		

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39	3	Course Work & Research	Identical final exam answers	Hearing requested	Hearing Panel sanction: expulsion from SU	University Hearing & Review Panel recommended failing grade on final exam (and consequently for course); requested behavioral impropriety allegations be referred to Judicial Affairs
40	2	Course Work & Research	TA observed student copying from another student's exam	0 on final exam	Appealed violation and sanction; Hearing Panel upheld violation and sanction	
41	4	Representations & Materials Misuse	Forged signature of internship supervisor; did not work required hours	Lost 30 of 100 points and received a D for course		
42	2	Use of Sources	Submitted description of film without internet citations	0 on 1.5 x the weight of the assignment— (7%)		
43	2	Representations & Materials Misuse	Student asked other students to write his/her name on sign-in sheet, plus a misleading email	Counseling and warning		
44	2	Representations & Materials Misuse	Student signed another student's name on attendance sheet	Counseling and warning		
45	2	Representations & Materials Misuse	Student signed another student's name on attendance sheet	Counseling and warning		
46	1	Use of Sources	Submitted a paper with an on-line film review and no attribution	F for the course		
47	3	Use of Sources	Plagiarized a short response paper and draft of longer paper on same topic	F for the course		
48	3	Use of Sources	Submitted take-home portion of midterm exam with unreferenced sections from	Failed midterm	Appealed violation and sanction; Hearing panel upheld violation and sanction.	

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			Wikipedia			
49	3	Use of Sources	Phrases & interpretive points from Wikipedia without any citations	F on paper		
50	5	Course Work & Research	Unauthorized aid during midterm exam; students in class reported violation	F on exam		
51	5	Course Work & Research	Unauthorized aid during midterm exam; students in class reported violation	Failing grade on the exam		
52	5	Course Work & Research	Unauthorized aid during midterm exam; students in class reported violation	Failing grade on the exam	Appealed violation and sanction; Hearing Panel upheld student's appeal.	Instructor Appeal denied; Specified grounds for appeal not satisfied.
53	5	Course Work & Research	Unauthorized aid during midterm exam; students in class reported violation	Failing grade on the exam		
54	5	Course Work & Research	Unauthorized aid during midterm exam; students in class reported violation	Failing grade on the exam		
55	5	Course Work & Research	Unauthorized aid during midterm exam; students in class reported violation	Failing grade on the exam		
56	5	Course Work & Research	Unauthorized aid during midterm exam; students in class reported violation	Failing grade on the exam		
57	4	Use of Sources	Plagiarized take- home mid-term exam by downloading several paragraphs from Wikipedia without citation (80% of paper)	0 on the mid-term		
58	4	Use of Sources	Submitted annotated bibliography with annotations from the Internet	F for the course		

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59	1	Course Work & Research	Submitted an essay that was originally written for another class	Must rewrite essay and will receive limited credit for second paper	Hearing Pending:	
60	2	Course Work & Research	Submitted an essay that was originally written for another class	Must rewrite essay and will receive limited credit for second paper		
61	5	Use of Sources	Submitted paper copied verbatim from several Internet sites without attribution	0 on paper		
62	5	Use of Sources	Submitted paper copied verbatim from several Internet sites without attribution	0 on paper		
63	1	Course Work & Research	Submitted project assigned as individual work with same errors as two other students	Course failure or option of withdrawing from course and retaking it with another instructor		
64	1	Course Work & Research	Submitted project assigned as individual work with same errors as two other students	Course failure or option of withdrawing from course and retaking it with another instructor		
65	2	Course Work & Research	Submitted project assigned as individual work with same errors as two other students	Course failure or option of withdrawing from course and retaking it with another instructor		
66	4	Use of Sources	Homework assignment copied from the textbook's solution manual	0 on assignment		
67	3	Course Work & Research	Submitted 4 journal entries that were excerpts from relevant work in a prior class	The 4 entries are to be replaced with work original to this class		
68	1	Use of Sources	Copied a paper written by a friend who had taken the course in a previous semester	0 on assignment; required to write a non-credit essay on academic dishonesty. Grade reduction on final reflective essay.		
69	4	Representations	Another student	F on midterm		

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		& Materials Misuse	signed attendance sheet for this student on several occasions, including the day a take-home midterm was distributed.			
70	5	Use of Sources	Submitted required memo with substantial sections copied verbatim from Internet without quotation marks	F for the course		
71	4	Representations & Materials Misuse	Another student signed attendance sheet for this student. On two other occasions, student's name is signed twice.	Option of writing a 10 page paper on topic of instructor's choice or retaking the course		
72	2	Use of Sources	Permitted student on his/her right to copy virtually entire exam	F for the course	Hearing Pending	
73	NM	Course Work & Research	Discovered post-it note with equations and definitions in very small writing on student during exam	0 on exam	Appealed violation and sanction; Hearing Panel upheld violation and sanction	
74	3	Use of Sources	Submitted outline that was cut and pasted from the Internet	F for the assignment		
75	2	Use of Sources	Copied virtually entire exam from student seated on left	F for the course		
76	4	Use of Sources	Plagiarized portions of final draft of paper when making corrections to an earlier draft	F for the assignment		
77	2	Use of Sources	Submitted paper with passages from the Internet without indicating quotations	O for the paper; option to rewrite paper with instructor guidance—new grade an average of the two papers		
78	5	Use of Sources	Plagiarized document that was part of team project	F for the course		
79	2	Use of Sources	Submitted paper cut and pasted from a website	Forfeited assignment	Note: Timelines for su were not adhered to; entered into database	violation was not

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80	5	Course Work & Research	Unauthorized aid during midterm exam; students in class reported violation	Failing grade on exam		
81	4	Use of Sources	Misused sources on proposal's first and second draft	No credit for proposal		
82	3	Use of Sources	Homework was copied from the textbook's solution manual	F on assignment		
83	4	Use of Sources	Submitted essay with significant portions verbatim from Wikipedia	0 on assignment		
84	2	Representations & Materials Misuse	Submitted paper that indicated observation at a particular school but had never signed in at the school to observe	0 on the paper		
85	2	Representations & Materials Misuse	Submitted paper that indicated observation at a particular school but had never signed in at the school to observe	0 on the paper		
86	5	Course Work & Research	Attempted to pass as his/her own intellectual effort another student's work	Hearing request	Hearing Panel found complainant had not met his/her burden of proof.	
87	3	Use of Sources	Submitted paper that was a compilation of information copied verbatim from three different websites	F in course	Hearing Pending	
88	3	Use of Sources	Submitted paper with information copied verbatim from Wikipedia that was not cited in any way	F on assignment		
89	5	Use of Sources	Combination of plagiarism and misuse of sources: at least 3 pages verbatim without quotation marks & inaccurate references.	0 on assignment; option to rewrite for a somewhat higher grade, although not a passing grade.		

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90	4	Communications	Lied to field placement supervisor for missing scheduled work day; lied to instructor about missing class.	Failed course and removed from field placement		
91	2	Use of Sources	Submitted paper with only minor alterations from Wikipedia and no citations	F in course		
92	1	Use of Sources	Plagiarized significant portions of a paper	Failing grade for the course		
93	1	Use of Sources	Research paper had at least 8 examples of egregiously plagiarized passages	0 on assignment		
94	1	Use of Sources	Submitted 10 page research paper with at least 12 examples of egregiously plagiarized passages	0 on assignment		
95	4	Communications	Said a close relative died, and funeral conflicted with class competition; went to a social event, not a funeral	F for the course		
96	3	Use of Sources	Submitted paper with large segments containing no citations and word for word copying from Internet sites	F for the course		
97	3	Use of Sources	Majority of student's contribution to a group project came directly from a website	0 on assignment		
98	5	Use of Sources	Submitted research project with incorrect or no attribution	Failing grade on assignment		
99	5	Use of Sources	Submitted research project with incorrect or no attribution	Failing grade on assignment		
100	5	Use of Sources	Submitted research project with incorrect or no attribution	Failing grade on assignment		
101	1	Use of Sources	Paper contained entire sentences,	0 credit for paper		

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			verbatim from the Internet, without citations			
102	1	Use of Sources	Paper contained entire sentences from Internet; three instances from different entries in Wikipedia	0 credit for paper		
103	2	Use of Sources	Paper contained entire sentences and sentence fragments from the Internet.	0 credit for paper		
104	2	Course Work & Research	Used an aid photocopied from textbook in final exam.	F for the course		
105	2	Use of Sources	Submitted paper with entire sentences and paragraphs from the Internet	0 credit for paper		
106	2	Use of Sources	Final paper copied significantly from 4 unacknowledged websites	F for the course		
107	2	Use of Sources	Copied substantial portions from entries in Wikipedia	F on assignment		
108	2	Use of Sources	Paper contains entire sentences and paragraphs from the Internet	F for the paper	Hearing Pending	
109	3	Use of Sources	Sustained research paper had large sections of text taken from two sources not listed on Works Cited page	F for the course		
110	2	Use of Sources	Final paper contained text taken verbatim and without citation from a number of websites	F for the paper	Hearing Pending	
111	3	Use of Sources	Much of final paper nearly verbatim from a variety of sources	F for the paper		
112		Course Work & Research	Discussed exam answers with another student	0 for the final exam	Hearing Pending	
113	4	Course Work &	Discussed exam	0 for the final exam		

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		Research	answers with another student			
114	5	Course Work & Research	Submitted take-home exam with similarities in sentence construction and presentation of ideas to another student's exam	0 on take-home exam		
115	2	Use of Sources	Submitted research paper with text directly copied from a website not listed on the Works Cited page	F in the course		
116	4	Course Work & Research	Used another student's paper and lifted material from it	F for the assignment & a 1/2 letter grade deduction.		
117	2	Use of Sources	Took critical paragraphs from websites and used them verbatim in final paper without citing or acknowledging the sources	F on paper		
118	3	Use of Sources	Sustained research paper included two complete sentences copied directly from an Internet source without attribution to the source in any way	0 on research paper worth 40% of final semester grade		
119	4	Use of Sources	Final paper contained many examples of plagiarism (10% according to Originality Report from Turnitin.com)	F on paper		
120	5	Use of Sources	Extra credit paper similar to one submitted by another student	Grade reduction in course		
121	2	Course Work & Research	Checked answer key for quizzes in front of room, made corrections, and then submitted quizzes [reported by other students]	F on quizzes		

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	Level	Violation				Appeal & Review
122	4	Use of Sources	Plagiarized final research paper	F on paper		
123	4	Use of Sources	Four short essays included direct use of internet sources	No points on any of the four plagiarized essays; no opportunity for submitting other work in its place	Appealed violation and sanction; Hearing Panel upheld violation and sanction.	
124	4	Use of Sources	Submitted homework assignments that were identical to those of another student	F for the course		
125	4	Use of Sources	Submitted homework assignments that were identical to those of another student	F for the course		
126	2	Use of Sources	In one section of paper, paraphrased a web page that was not cited	0 for the assignment	Hearing Pending	
127	5	Course Work & Research	unauthorized removal of exam material	F for the course		