

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Cheating – Plagiarism – Academic Integrity – Academic Dishonesty

All of these are big words and concepts for the first day of class. Pay attention to them.

You are in a position to start good habits and practices that will benefit you throughout your career. You will be tempted to take short cuts that will have long term consequence to your learning, integrity, and professional development. This is the time to make good choices. Start good practices and habits now.

As you learn to navigate the heightened demands of academic work at UNL, understand that we expect you not to cheat, plagiarize, sacrifice your integrity, or be dishonest. You are responsible for your work and we expect that you will comply with the UNL Academic Student Code of Conduct. Your academic and professional development and maturity demands a high standard of integrity.

Know that you are not alone. If you have questions about what constitutes cheating, plagiarism, etc., ask your professor. If you feel like you cannot recognize the line between cheating and not cheating, ask your professor. Your behaviors and practices are important. We want you to be successful and learn to act as a professional.

Further, we will hold you accountable for your actions and your progress, and join you in learning to act honorably and with integrity. As engineers, we have an ethical and professional obligation to act with honor and integrity. This obligation starts now.

Best wishes for a great first semester. You are in control of your future. We are here to help and celebrate your success.

Your Success Matters!

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