Academic Conduct

Standards of Honesty

The university is conducted on a basis of common honesty. Dishonesty, cheating, or plagiarism, or knowingly furnishing false information to the university are regarded as particularly serious offenses. Disruptive behavior in an academic situation or purposely harming academic facilities also are grounds for academic discipline.

Disciplinary Procedures

In the College of Liberal Arts and in the schools of Accountancy, Applied Sciences, Business Administration, Education, Engineering, Journalism, and Pharmacy, faculty members handle cases of academic dishonesty involving graduate students by recommending an appropriate sanction after discussion with the student. Possible sanctions include failure on the work in question, retake of an examination, extra work, grade reduction or failure in the course, disciplinary probation, or suspension or expulsion from the university. An appeals process is available to the student. A more complete statement concerning definitions, offenses, penalties, and grievance procedures may be found at https://secure.olemiss.edu/umpolicyopen/index.jsp. The schools of Law and Pharmacy have separate procedures for dealing with academic disciplinary infractions involving professional students in the J.D. and Pharm.D. programs.