



**POLICY ON STUDENTS WHO COMMIT ACADEMIC DISHONESTY IN
FIRST-TIER WRITING COURSE PORTFOLIOS AND ON THE WRITING
SKILLS TEST (WST)**

History:

13-14 CIC 34; Senate approved 12/2/14; President approved 1/22/15

If there is suspicion of academic dishonesty during the evaluation of first-tier portfolios, students will be required to submit to a proctored writing sample. Students who are in online courses and are unable to come to campus will be required to find a certified proctoring environment at their own expense and to submit the proctored writing assignment.

If evidence of academic dishonesty is upheld, students will receive a grade of NC (no credit) in the course and will receive a determination of “failure” on the portfolio for the first-tier course. An Academic Dishonesty Report will be submitted directly to Student Judicial Affairs for further review. Students will be required to petition in order to re-take the first-tier writing course. If an academic dishonesty report has been filed on the first-tier portfolio or WST, then the student may not seek an exemption from the University Writing Skills Requirement (UWSR).

Evidence of academic dishonesty on the WST will result in a student receiving a failing grade on the WST. Rather than recording the student’s results as limited competency, a zero be added to the WST scoring options, which will indicate failure as a result of academic dishonesty. Retaking the WST will not be allowed; the student must satisfy the UWSR through coursework. In addition, an Academic Dishonesty Report will be submitted directly to Student Judicial Affairs for further review.