
Penalties for Academic Misconduct

Narrator: Meet Róngyù, a fourth year student who is volunteering as a Course Representative.

Róngyù: (confident) Hello there fellow students, after watching the academic honesty module videos, let us summarise the penalties for academic misconduct. While *all* forms of academic misconduct violate the University's academic standards, the *consequences* depend on the severity and extent of the breach.

The slide presentation begins - showing the different penalties as the narrator states them.

Róngyù: (stern) Violations of the Academic Honesty Policy may lead to one or more penalties. They can be imposed as individual or combined violations.

Róngyù: Sanctions may include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. **Written Warnings** or reprimands

2. **Remedial Education Activity**

Completion of a remedial education activity, such as an educational workshop or an academic honesty assignment.

3. **Work Resubmission** of your Work

Resubmission of the piece of academic work in which the violation was committed, for evaluation with or without a grade sanction

4. **Make-up Assignment**

Completion of a make-up assignment or other form of assessment

5. **Failed Grade**

A lowered or failed grade (including a grade of zero or a failing grade) on the academic work in question

6. **Lowered Grade** in the course

7. **Course Failure** (Failure of the course with permanent grade of record)

8. **Grade of Record**



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a permanent grade of record where the grade assigned shall remain as the one grade of record for the course even if the course is repeated; this can be added to any other sanction

9. Suspension

10. Expulsion

11. Withholding of Degree

Róngyù: (sounds like ‘on another note’) There are also *considerations* made by the University while determining the penalties for academic misconduct.

The numbered points appear on the screen as Róngyù lists them.

Róngyù:

1. whether it is a first or *subsequent* offence;
2. the relative weight of the assignment in question;
3. student’s academic experience;
4. the severity of the conduct;
5. whether the student has *accepted* responsibility for the conduct;
6. the extent to which the integrity of the student evaluation process was impaired;
7. the extent of the harm caused to the University, one or more of its members, and/or third parties;
8. whether the student is at the undergraduate or graduate level
 - academic misconduct by a graduate student will generally result in more severe consequences than for undergraduate students;
9. extenuating circumstances or aggravating factors that may help explain the action taken by a student.

Róngyù: (optimistic but firm) And remember, there are many resources provided by the University to help you in your academic journey!



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Breaches against [The Academic Honesty Policy](#) at York University include but are not limited to the following: Cheating, plagiarism, misrepresentation of identity or performance, fraud and research misconduct, and other violations of specific departmental or course requirements.

For additional details on the Academic Honesty policy, procedures, regulations, and resources, please visit:

www.yorku.ca/unit/vpacad/academic-integrity

and

www.yorku.ca/secretariat/policies

There are many resources available to support and aid students in avoiding violations of The Academic Honesty Policy.

Students are encouraged to access academic support and services such as:

- Peer Tutoring, Peer Mentoring, Peer Assisted Study Sessions, and Course Representatives through the Calumet and Stong Colleges' [Student Success Programs](#).
- As well as Academic Advising through [The Faculty of Health's Office of Student and Academic Services](#)

Students can also acquire unique learning skills and time management skills through workshops, learning modules, and one-on-one appointments by accessing the [Learning Commons](#).

Students struggling with mental health issues are encouraged to get support from peers, friends, family, or other support systems. In addition, they can also get support through York University's [Student Counselling, Health & Well-being](#) and Calumet and Stong Colleges' Health and Wellness Program.

References



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