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**Policy Name: Student Academic Dishonesty Policy**

**Policy Statement:**

Plagiarism. For the purposes of this document, plagiarism is considered the act of representing ideas, writings, artistic designs, or any other creative endeavors that were created by someone or something else as one’s own. This includes, but is not limited to, materials created by artificial intelligence. When direct quotations are used, they must be indicated; and when the ideas of another are incorporated in any submission, they must be acknowledged, according to a style of documentation appropriate to the discipline.

**Definitions:** No definitions are needed.

**Keywords:** Academic Dishonesty, Artificial Intelligence, Plagiarism

**Reason for the Policy:** The Academic Policy Committee, at the request of faculty, considered a change in the current GCSU academic dishonesty policy (<https://gcsu.smartcatalogiq.com/2023-2024/undergraduate-catalog/academic-policies/student-code-of-conduct/student-academic-dishonesty/> ) to ensure that the inappropriate use of AI technologies is clearly forbidden. The committee investigated all pertinent policies at other USG institutions to determine what language sister universities and colleges may already have in place. The committee found that only Augusta University and the University of Georgia had so far altered their policies to reflect the new landscape. Faculty members Joy Bracewell and Cynthia Alby were consulted for their experience and expertise. The committee ultimately found that the GCSU academic dishonesty policy’s current language regarding plagiarism is in need of updating. Therefore, APC proposes that the University Senate consider the above language to replace the current policy’s section 1C. No other revisions to the policy are currently recommended by the Academic Policy Committee.

**Proposed Outcome:** This policy change seeks to ensure that, when discovered, plagiarism through the inappropriate use of artificial intelligence is expressly forbidden by university policy.

**Applicability of the Policy:** This policy will apply to all members of the academic community currently covered by the Academic Dishonesty Policy.

**Related Policies:** <https://gcsu.smartcatalogiq.com/2023-2024/undergraduate-catalog/academic-policies/student-code-of-conduct/student-academic-dishonesty/>

**Procedures:** No change in procedure is recommended at this time. All procedures listed in the Academic Dishonesty Policy will remain the same.

Creation Date: Month, Year for new policies

Revision Date: Month, Year

Last Reviewed Date: Month, Year

Next Review Date: Month, Year - Two years from Last Reviewed Date

Responsible Department:

Cabinet Approval Date:

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