Marshall University School of Nursing

Policy on Academic Dishonesty

The School of Nursing at Marshall University will not tolerate academic dishonesty of any kind. Academic dishonesty is defined as:

I. CHEATING

- A. Unauthorized use of any materials, notes, sources of information, study aids, commercial textbook test banks or tools during an academic exercise. No cell phones, personal calculators, palm computers or "smart" devices (watches, etc.) or hats allowed during exams. Calculators will be provided, if necessary.
- B. Unauthorized assistance of a person, other than the course instructor during an academic exercise.
- C. Unauthorized viewing of another person's work during an academic exercise.
- D. Unauthorized securing of all or any part of assignments or examinations (including commercial textbook test banks) in advance of the submission by the instructor.
- **II. FABRICATION / FALSIFICATION**: The unauthorized invention or alteration of any information, citation, data or means of verification in an academic exercise, official correspondence of a university record.
- **II. PLAGIARISM:** Submitting as one's own work or creation any material or an idea wholly or in part created by another. This includes, but is not limited to:
- A. Oral, written and graphical material
- B. Both published and unpublished work
- C. Any material(s) downloaded from the Internet It is the student's responsibility to clearly distinguish their own work from that created by others. This includes proper use of quotation marks, paraphrase and the citation of the original source. Students are responsible for both intentional and unintentional acts of plagiarism.

- **IV. BRIBES / FAVORS / THREATS** Attempts to unfairly influence a course grade or the satisfaction of degree requirements through any of these actions is prohibited.
- V. COMPLICITY Helping or attempting to help someone commit an act of academic dishonesty.
- **VI. SANCTIONS:** The instructor will impose one or more of the following:
- 1. A lower or failing project / paper / test grade.
- 2. A lower final grade.
- 3. Failure of the course
- 4. Exclusion from further participation in the class (including laboratories or clinical experiences).

Please refer to the University Student Handbook, Code of Conduct for the process of charges made and the process for subsequent sanctions imposed, and the process of appeal.

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