A SINGLE ACT OF CHEATING OR PLAGIARISM can result in serious consequences for an accused student. Chico strives to maintain a high standard for academic integrity in order to preserve the reputation of the university and assure students a quality degree. Students found to be in violation of the university’s policy on academic honesty may be placed on the following sanctions.

Disciplinary Probation, Suspension, Expulsion, Denial of Admission or Re-admission, Special Conditions

It is the responsibility of the student to know and adhere to regulations regarding academic honesty.

Examples of Academic Dishonesty

Borrowing or copying coursework or graded homework assignments from another student to hand in as your own or giving your coursework or graded homework to another student to be copied.

Working together on a take-home or on-line test, homework, lab assignment, or coursework without specific permission from the instructor.

Copying homework answers from your text to hand in for a grade.
More Examples of Academic Dishonesty

Looking at another student's paper or giving answers to another student during an exam or looking at a textbook or notes during an exam when not specifically permitted by the instructor.

After having taken an exam, providing information to another student about questions that are included on the exam.

Having another student take an exam, write a paper, do a computer program or lab experiment for you, or you doing any of these for another student.

Altering graded work after it has been returned, then submitting the work for re-grading.

Lying to an instructor to increase your grade.

Removing tests from the classroom without the approval of the instructor or stealing tests.

Using a cell phone to text or receive answers to a test or Quiz, taking pictures of a text or quiz and sending to another student, or receiving pictures of a text or quiz.

Downloading or purchasing papers from the Internet or other sources or knowingly and without permission accessing, changing, or using information or data from a computer system for your own use.

Copying or reprinting another student's paper and handing it in as your own or giving your paper to another student who you know will plagiarize it.

Having another person correct or edit work for you without permission from the instructor or using a computer program to correct spelling or grammar when an instructor has informed you not to do so.

Failing to give credit for ideas, statements of fact, or conclusions derived by another author.

Failure to use quotation marks when quoting directly from a source, whether it is a paragraph, a sentence, or part thereof.

Placing quotation marks around text in your paper and not providing a source.

Paraphrasing an idea but not providing the source or using bits and pieces of writing or material from a source and then putting them together without acknowledging the source.

Including a bibliography at the end of your paper but not including references or citations for information you use from those sources listed in the bibliography.

Claiming credit for artistic work done by someone else, such as music composition, photo, painting, drawing, sculpture, or design.

Further information may be found on the Student Judicial Affairs Web site at www.csuchico.edu/sjd or in the Office of Student Judicial Affairs. If you are unclear about a specific situation for one of your classes, ask your instructors.

Did you know that using the same paper for two different classes is a form of cheating? See inside for more examples. Remember, ignorance of a rule is no excuse to break it.