ACADEMIC INTEGRITY AND HONESTY

Academic dishonesty jeopardizes the academic integrity of the University and is not in keeping with Christian principles. It is considered to be a serious offense. Missouri Baptist University expects students to attach their names only to work or research which they have done themselves. Materials and sources must be properly documented. Students must prepare original work and research, present their own reports and papers, and take examinations without any assistance or aids not expressly permitted in the testing procedure. Academic dishonesty includes, but is not necessarily confined to: plagiarizing; cheating on examinations; submitting counterfeit reports, tests, or papers; stealing tests or other academic materials; knowingly falsifying academic records or documents such as transcripts; and submitting the same work to more than one class without consent of the instructors involved.

Academic dishonesty of any nature will result in disciplinary action, which may include receiving a failing grade on the work in question, failure in the course, or dismissal from the University. Additional information is available in the Missouri Baptist University Student Handbook.

STUDENT CONDUCT CODE

Student Conduct Code Statement:
Missouri Baptist University is a faith-based institution, and it is expected that employees and students will conduct themselves in accordance with Christian principles both on and off the campus. Personal misconduct either on or off the campus by anyone connected with MBU detracts from the Christian witness the University strives to present to the world and hinders full accomplishment of the University program. While at the University, the student is expected to obey federal, state, and local laws. The University and its employees will cooperate with law enforcement agencies during an investigation. Each student is also expected to obey rules and regulations established by Missouri Baptist University. In all cases of violation of the University rules and regulations, or of actions in violation of local, state, or federal laws, Missouri Baptist University reserves the right to proceed with its own disciplinary action independent of governmental charges or prosecution. There is no University policy to await the outcome of governmental prosecution.

Scope of Code:
The following policies prohibiting specific types of conduct are not designed to be a comprehensive, inclusive code. Any conduct violation of local, state, or federal laws, or any indecent or disorderly conduct disruptive of the orderly process of the University educational program, may be grounds for disciplinary action.
**Student Awareness Responsibility:**

It is the responsibility of the student to become familiar with these policies and rules. The administration will attempt to ensure that all students know the rules through orientation sessions. However, students are responsible to the University for their conduct. If students should witness a violation of these policies on the part of other students, faculty, or administrators, it is their responsibility to report it. In the event that a student violates the campus rules, the student will appear before the Senior Vice President for Student Development and/or the University Conduct Committee for disciplinary action. A student enrolling in Missouri Baptist University assumes an obligation to behave in a manner compatible with the University mission and purpose as an educational institution.

**Jurisdiction:**

Jurisdiction of Missouri Baptist University generally shall be limited to conduct which occurs on the Missouri Baptist University premises (including off-campus housing) or at University-sponsored or supervised functions. However, nothing herein limits the administration of the University from taking appropriate action, including, but not limited to, the imposition of sanctions against students for conduct on or off University premises.

The Student Conduct Code in its entirety is published in the Student Handbook and Residence Hall Handbook, which are updated annually. The most up-to-date copy of the Conduct Code is kept in the Office of the Senior Vice President for Student Development.