

# Academic Integrity

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The basic rule for CSE 100 is: Work hard and study often.

Make use of the expertise of the CSE 100 staff to excel both in productivity and in knowledge in the course. Don't cheat. If you do cheat, we will enforce the UCSD Policy on Integrity of Scholarship (see the General Catalog or the corresponding web page, scroll 2/3 of the way down). This means: You will get an F in the course, and the Dean of your college will put you on probation or suspend you or dismiss you from UCSD.

## **What counts as cheating?**

In CSE 100, you can read books, surf the web for sketchy pseudo code for an algorithm covered in class, talk to your friends and the CSE 100 staff to get help understanding the concepts you need to know to solve your PA problems. However, you must write your program alone for all PAs.

The goal of CSE 100 will be a turning point for most of you on your programming skills. Future instructors, employers, and colleagues will expect that you will attain a certain proficiency in problem solving and programming. Using unauthorized aids in doing your work will prevent you from attaining the proficiencies that others will expect. Meeting or not meeting these expectations relate directly to getting internships, retaining employment, and success in your future studies.

In CSE 100, using or even looking at program code or the write up of algorithms that someone else has written (unless it was explicitly provided as part of the assignment), or providing program code or detailed algorithms to someone else, or turning in code that you have written with someone else other than your partner, is considered cheating. Yes, we do electronically check every program that is turned in.

Receiving a grade on a PA doesn't mean that you have passed the plagiarism checking. We can report cheating cases any time during the quarter, even after we submit your final letter grade. So the safest bet is don't cheat!

## **How can I be sure that my actions are NOT considered cheating?**

To ensure you don't have a problem with this, here are some suggestions:

- Don't even look at or discuss another student's code or detailed algorithms for a PA you are working on, and don't let another student look at your code or show him/her your algorithms.
- If you are talking to another student about the assignment, don't take notes, and wait an hour afterward before you write any code.
- Don't start with someone else's code and make changes to it, or in any way share code with other students.

Also, you must write your own answers on the closed-book exams. Getting answers from someone else, or providing answers to someone else, is cheating. Everyone needs to stop writing on the exam/quiz once the exam/quiz period has ended. Failing to follow this policy will result in a zero for you on that exam/quiz.

To reinforce these points, every student in CSE 100 must read, understand, and electronically sign the Integrity of Scholarship Agreement. You must sign an integrity statement before completing any of the assignments or labs.

**To detect instances of academic integrity violations in programming assignments we will use 3rd party software. However, your code stays within gradescope so there is no concern that your code will be leaked out.**

## **Getting Help**

We expect that ALL STUDENTS WILL NEED HELP at some point in this course. If you find yourself needing help, this is not a cause for embarrassment. It is completely expected. Please seek help early and often through any (or all) of the following resources.

### **Open lab hours:**

There are many, many hours in which tutors are willing and available to help you with any questions you might have. CSE 30 open tutor hours are shown in the tutor hour calendar.

### **Online help -edstem:**

Use the edstem site for any questions related to the PA, material in the course, quizzes, exams, or course logistics. edstem allows you to post questions anonymously (to other students) if you don't feel comfortable revealing your name. In general, all questions should be addressed to edstem EXCEPT:

- Confidential questions that you wish to address to your instructor only. Please email your instructor directly.
- Questions about your grade. Please contact the person who graded your assignment directly.
- Posts that include portions of your PA solution. Please see a tutor in our lab, or post these questions *privately*.

### **Office hours:**

Your instructor and TAs are always willing to help you during her or his office hours. If you cannot make it to your instructor's or TA's office hours but wish to meet with your instructor or TA, please send her or him email to set up an appointment.