

Consequences of Plagiarism at NSU

This short module concentrates on the disciplinary and academic consequences of plagiarism. Please consult the student handbook for a comprehensive description of all the consequences associated with being found guilty of plagiarism.

You can download the student handbook at this link:

http://www.nova.edu/publications/cahn_student_handbook

Don't forget to submit the handbook receipt, which is part of the health science orientation activities!

As mentioned in the previous module, plagiarism is a very serious offence. If an instructor suspects a student of plagiarism (whether it is recycling a previously submitted paper, not citing sources, or copying and pasting from a website) several general courses of action are taken:

- The instructor may work with the student to remedy the problem within the course;
- The instructor may assign a failing grade for the assignment;
- The instructor may assign a failing grade for the class and/or refer the student to the **Academic Honesty Committee** of the College of Allied Health and Nursing.

Here is an overview of how the **Academic Honesty Committee** operates:

- They review the evidence sent by the faculty member
- They hear the student's side of the situation (in person or by phone)
- They make recommendations to the Dean of the College of Allied Health and Nursing.

The nature of the offense will determine how a case is handled. Plagiarism is theft and if found "guilty" students are often dismissed from the program.

After receiving the Dean's decision, the student has the right to an appeal. The appeal must be received in writing by the **Appeals Committee** within 5 days receipt of the Dean's decision. This is the only level of appeal, and the **decision of the Appeals Committee is final**.

Plagiarism is a very serious academic offense. Read how an Ohio University Student was expelled from the Semester at Sea Program for violating a university's honor code! [Student Put Ashore](#)