# C.23 Plagiarism and Cheating

Academic Matters

Nunavut Arctic College

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### **POLICY**

Cheating and plagiarism are serious offences and will result in disciplinary action.

## **DEFINITIONS**

Cheating is the acquisition or use of information in a course through illegal or inappropriate means.

*Plagiarism* is the submission of material which is not the student's own work, and which has not been acknowledged by footnote, reference or other documentation.

### **PRINCIPLES**

- 1. A universally accepted principle of education is that stealing the ideas of another person is unacceptable.
- 2. The College believes that such behaviour warrants serious consequences.

### **PROCEDURES**

- 1. Where an instructor has reason to suspect a student of cheating or of plagiarism, s/he will inform the student of the allegation.
- 2. The action will be reported in writing to the Dean or designate and a meeting will be held between the student, the Dean or designate and the instructor to discuss and assess the evidence.
- 3. If cheating or plagiarism is substantiated, the Dean or designate, in consultation with the instructor, will determine the consequence.
- 4. Possible consequences might be:
  - a. Giving a new assignment
  - b. Fail grade on the assignment, exam, or course
  - c. Dismissal from the program
  - d. Other, as the College deems appropriate
- The student will be informed of the consequences, in writing. A copy of which will be maintained in the Student Record
- 6. Appeals may be made under the Student Appeals Process [Policy D.02 Appeals Student Behaviour non-academic)].

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