

Higher Education Academic Integrity Policy

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1. Introduction

Academic integrity is a core value of TAFE NSW Higher Education and is vital in ensuring the integrity and standards of TAFE NSW Higher Education courses. TAFE NSW Higher Education upholds the principle that academic integrity relies on the application of honesty in all academic endeavour.

2. Purpose

This policy governs the principles of academic conduct applicable to TAFE NSW Higher Education students and academic staff.

3. Scope

This policy applies to all TAFE NSW Higher Education students and academic staff.

4. Policy

TAFE NSW Higher Education students are expected to:

- conduct themselves honestly and ethically in their academic studies;
- carefully acknowledge the work of others in all their academic activities; and
- submit assessments as their own original work.

TAFE NSW Higher Education academic staff:

- have a responsibility to conduct themselves honestly and ethically in relation to the courses and subjects they deliver;
- have a responsibility to explain and model good scholarly practice and academic integrity; and
- are responsible for monitoring and reporting student academic misconduct.

TAFE NSW Higher Education will respond to allegations of academic misconduct by students enrolled in TAFE NSW Higher Education programs in a manner that promotes fairness, consistency, and equity.

5. Responsibilities

Position	Responsibility
Higher Education Academic Council	The Higher Education Academic Council is the approver of this policy.
Chief Product & Quality Officer	The Chief Product & Quality Officer is the owner of this policy.
Senior Manager Higher Education Quality	The Senior Manager Higher Education Quality is the contact for this policy.

Position	Responsibility
Dean of Higher Education	The Dean of Higher Education has overall responsibility for the effective administration and implementation of this policy.
Course Coordinators	Course Coordinators have local responsibility for the effective administration and implementation of this policy.

6. Definitions

Definitions applying to this policy are listed in the associated TAFE NSW Higher Education procedures available on the [TAFE NSW internet](#).

7. Related documents

This policy should be read in conjunction with the following related documents:

- [TAFE NSW Higher Education Academic Integrity Procedure](#)
- [TAFE NSW Assessment Policy](#)
- [TAFE NSW Higher Education Assessment Procedure](#)
- [TAFE NSW Higher Education Free Intellectual Inquiry Policy](#)

8. Contacts

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9. Document information and review

This policy document will be reviewed at least every three years.

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Approval History

No	Effective	Approved by	Amendment
1	24 August 2010	TAFE NSW Higher Education Governing Council	Initial approval of policy statement.
2	5 November 2020	Head of Higher Education Standards	Policy statement updated into new Written Directions format. Minor content changes to reflect current versions of related procedures.
3	7 July 2022	TAFE NSW Higher Education Academic Council	Revision of policy statement to ensure rigour of policy and alignment with revised procedure. Changed policy name.
4	7 December 2023	Chief Product & Quality Officer	Reviewed and updated policy statement.