

**Example:** La Trobe University's ["Academic Integrity Policy"](#) clearly states the purpose of the policy.

## La Trobe University

<b>Purpose/ objectives</b>	Academic honesty is a fundamental principle in teaching, learning, research and scholarship. This policy reflects the University's intent to promote academic integrity among its staff and students and to detect and manage academic misconduct.
<b>Scope/ Application</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All staff</li> <li>• All students</li> </ul>
<b>Policy Statement</b>	<p>The University requires its academic staff and students to observe the highest ethical standards in all aspects of academic work and it demonstrates its commitment to these values by awarding due credit for honestly conducted scholarly work, and by penalising academic misconduct and all forms of cheating.</p> <p>During their first year of enrolment at La Trobe, all commencing coursework students must successfully complete a compulsory academic integrity subject.</p> <p>It is the responsibility of the academic staff:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To teach and conduct research and scholarship according to ethical standards, and</li> <li>• to teach their students ethical learning, research and scholarship practices, in order to promote and maintain academic integrity by assisting students to be honest</li> </ul> <p>It is the responsibility of the students:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• to acquire a clear understanding of how to avoid unethical practices, and</li> <li>• to employ this knowledge in their work submitted for assessment.</li> </ul> <p>It is the responsibility of the Faculties:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• to ensure that appropriate education about academic integrity and avoidance of plagiarism is incorporated in the design of courses, and</li> <li>• to take steps to detect unauthorised collusion, fraudulent or unethical research or plagiarism, the last of which may include the use of electronic text-matching software and other methods</li> </ul> <p>Academic staff or students who engage in plagiarism, unauthorised collusion, and/or fraudulent or unethical research and scholarship practices will be subject to the disciplinary procedures of the University. Students who cheat in tests, examinations, essays, or other assessable work will also be subject to disciplinary processes.</p> <p>Instances of academic misconduct by students will be classified as either minor offences or serious offences and dealt with according to the La Trobe University Academic Misconduct Statute 2009.</p>
<b>Supporting Procedures</b>	Academic Integrity Procedures

Source: <http://www.latrobe.edu.au/policy/all-policies>

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