

## AUSN Honor Code

The American University of Sovereign Nations (AUSN) believes that all AUSN students, staff, research fellows, and faculty should exhibit proper ethical and honorable conduct at all times. The need to maintain a high level of professional competence and integrity is recognized by virtually all members of the learned professions. Accordingly, all students, staff, research fellows, and faculty of AUSN are expected to maintain the highest order of ethical conduct, honesty, and integrity and engage in conduct beyond reproach at all times.

AUSN directs and governs the moral responsibility and ethical conduct that is expected of each and every student at AUSN. Accordingly, each and every student enrolled in any academic or educational program at AUSN is subject to the AUSN Honor Code.

AUSN desires to at all times maintain the highest standards of ethics, conduct, scholarship, and leadership. Any violation of the AUSN Honor Code are grounds for dismissal from the American University of Sovereign Nations or grounds for preclusion of graduation. It is our intent that individuals bound by the Honor Code can therefore operate in an atmosphere of mutual confidence, trust, respect, dignity, academic freedom, and honesty.

## **Prohibited Conduct**

It shall be a violation of the AUSN Honor Code for any student enrolled at the American University of Sovereign Nations, to knowingly or recklessly engage in, or attempt to engage in, any of the following prohibited conduct:

- 1. It shall be a violation of the AUSN Honor Code for any student enrolled in AUSN, to knowingly or recklessly engage in, or attempt to engage in, any of the following prohibited conduct.
- 2. Engaging in plagiarism as in submitting the work, language, structure, ideas, or thoughts of another as one's own without attribution.
- 3. Engaging in any cheating (actual giving or receiving of any unauthorized assistance, unauthorized materials or information, or unfair advantage) in the completion of any coursework or in writing or taking an examination.
- 4. Using another student's or a professor's books, class notes or other study materials without that person's consent.



- 5. Intentionally depriving another student, temporarily or permanently, of that student's books, class notes or other study materials.
- 6. Intentionally giving another student false or inaccurate information about class assignments, study materials, notes or other class requirements.
- 7. Knowingly discussing an examination not yet taken with another student who has taken that examination.
- 8. Intentionally misrepresenting class attendance or falsifying attendance reports.
- 9. Knowingly compromising the integrity of an anonymous grading system.
- 10. Signing another student's name on an attendance sheet.
- 11. Altering, removing or otherwise improperly using library materials, which includes deliberately failing to properly return resource materials so as to prevent access to such materials by other students.
- 12. Intentionally obstructing another's access to academic materials.
- 13. Submitting the same, or substantially similar, material for credit in more than one course.
- 14. Reading, taking possession of, making use of, or otherwise accessing any other student's or Faculty member's confidential academic materials, or personal information, without such person's prior expressed permission.
- 15. Violating a local, state, or federal law, or any of the AUSN rules and regulations as published in the Academic Catalog or posted on the Website, whether on or off AUSN premises, or during a University-organized activity.
- 16. Using, possessing, distributing, or being under the influence of controlled substances or illegal drugs on AUSN premises, or off-campus during University organized activities, except as permitted by law.
- 17. Intentionally or recklessly interfering with normal AUSN activities on University premises or University-organized activities off campus.
- 18. Engaging in physical or emotional abuse of any person, or conduct that threatens or endangers the health, safety or welfare, of any other person at AUSN premises or organized functions of same.



- 19. Threatening, harassing, or engaging in abusive communications, by telephone, mail, email, text, or otherwise, directed at any member of the AUSN community, staff, student, faculty, administration, or of such member's family.
- 20. Knowingly making a material misrepresentation, by act or omission, or providing false information, in any document including, but not limited to, financial aid forms, resumes, or in an oral statement, of a student's academic or professional qualifications, conduct, class attendance, class standing, grades, honors, and/or activities.
- 21. Failing to provide known information concerning Honor Code violations upon discovering such information.
- 22. Conspiring, soliciting, attempting, or agreeing to commit, assist in or facilitate the commission of any violation of this Honor Code.
- 23. Knowingly submitting, or misrepresenting, on behalf of the student, or knowingly assisting another student, to submit or misrepresent, course work required in any course or program, which is from anyone other than the registered student for that course or program.
- 24. Engaging in any conduct that is offensive to the sense of decency or human dignity or violates moral turpitude as regarded by any of the learned profession.
- 25. Engaging discriminatory activity against an individual that may be perceived as harmful by that individual.

## **Grievance** Policy

Any individual who is accused of breaching the Honor Code has the right to due process in accordance with the AUSN Grievance Policy.