2005/2006
Student Discipline Summaries

September 1, 2005 to August 31, 2006

Under section 61 of the University Act, the President of the University has authority to impose discipline on students for academic and non-academic offences (see pages 54 to 57 of the 2005/2006 University Calendar). A summary of such disciplinary cases is published on a regular basis, without disclosing the names of the students involved.

In the period September 1, 2005 to August 31, 2006, 45 students appeared before the President’s Advisory Committee on Student Discipline (PACSD) and 41 were subsequently disciplined. For each case, the events leading to the imposition of the discipline and the discipline imposed are summarized below. Discipline may vary depending upon the circumstances of a particular case.

1. A student brought unauthorized material (notes) into a final examination.
   Discipline: A suspension from the University for 12 months*.

2. A student forged a doctor’s note in order to gain further academic concessions.
   Discipline: A suspension from the University for 16 months*.

3. A student submitted an assignment that was plagiarized from a student who took the course previously.
   Discipline: A mark of zero in the course and a suspension from the University for 12 months*.

4. A student failed to disclose his/her previous attendance at a college when he/she applied to UBC.
   Discipline: A letter of reprimand.

*Disciplinary actions marked with an asterisk (*) indicate more severe penalties.
5. A student was alleged to have (i) improperly administered and proctored a final examination; and (ii) misrepresented him/herself by signing the proctoring certification as having a doctorate.

Discipline: A letter of reprimand.

6. A student cheated by writing a midterm examination under a false name and then wrote a very similar midterm examination the next day.

Discipline: A mark of zero in the midterm exam and a suspension from the University for 6 months*.

7. A student cheated by writing a midterm examination under a false name and then wrote a very similar midterm examination the next day.

Discipline: A mark of zero in the midterm exam and a suspension from the University for 6 months*.

8. A student cheated by altering his/her marked midterm examination and submitting it for re-marking.

Discipline: Due to extenuating circumstances, a mark of zero in the midterm examination and a suspension from the University for 4 months*.

9. A student cheated by altering his/her marked midterm examination and submitting it for re-marking.

Discipline: A mark of zero in the course and a suspension from the University for 12 months*.

10. A student cheated during a midterm examination by copying the work of another student.

Discipline: Due to extenuating circumstances, a mark of zero in the course and a suspension from the University for 6 months*. 
11. A student submitted an assignment that he/she had plagiarized from that of 
a student who had taken the course the previous year.

Discipline: A mark of zero on the assignment and a letter of severe 
reprimand.

12. A student cheated during an exam by bringing in unauthorized material 
(written notes) into the examination room.

Discipline: A mark of zero in the course and a suspension from the 
University for 4 months*.

13. A student cheated by bringing in unauthorized material (written notes) into 
a final examination.

Discipline: A mark of zero in the course and a suspension from the 
University for 4 months*.

14. A student cheated during an exam by bringing in unauthorized material 
(written notes) into the examination room.

Discipline: A mark of zero in the course and a suspension from the 
University for 8 months*.

15. A student plagiarized an assignment from Internet sources.

Discipline: Due to extenuating circumstances, a mark of zero in the 
course and a letter of reprimand.

16. A student cheated by consulting notes in a washroom during the final 
examination of a course.

Discipline: A mark of zero in the course and a suspension from the 
University for 4 months*.
17. A student submitted a report that was plagiarized from Internet sources.

Discipline: A mark of zero in the course and a suspension from the University for 6 months*.

18. A student allegedly committed a number of incidents of academic misconduct in two courses. In particular, in one course he/she was alleged (i) to have submitted a final examination with a false name on a paper. In the other course, he/she (ii) brought in for marking a lab manual with no name; (iii) falsely claimed he/she had written a midterm examination; (iv) wrote a lab examination final using a false name and wrote a second final the next day; (v) failed to write the midterm examination in the lecture portion of the course; (vi) attended the final examination but did not turn in the paper; and (vii) participated in quizzes after claiming to have dropped the course in order to assist another student.

Discipline: PACSD found that 5 of the 7 incidents constituted academic misconduct. A mark of zero in both courses and a suspension from the University for 8 months*.

19. A student cheated during a midterm examination by copying answers from another student.

Discipline: A mark of zero in the course and a suspension from the University for 8 months*.

20. A student cheated on a midterm examination by copying answers from the paper of another student.

Discipline: A mark of zero in the course and a suspension from the University for 8 months*.

21. A student cheated on a midterm examination by bringing unauthorized material (cheat sheet) into the examination room.

Discipline: A mark of zero in the course and a suspension from the University for 12 months*.
22. A student cheated during a midterm examination by copying answers from the paper of another student.
Discipline: A mark of zero in the course and a suspension from the University for 8 months*.

23. A student cheated on an assignment by copying answers from the work of another student.
Discipline: A mark of zero in the course and a letter of reprimand*.

24. A student assisted another student to cheat on an assignment by providing him/her with an electronic version of his/her work.
Discipline: A letter of reprimand.

25. A student allegedly assisted two students to cheat on a midterm examination.
Outcome: Allegation dismissed.

26. A student cheated on a midterm examination by copying the work of another student.
Discipline: A mark of zero in the course and a suspension from the University for 4 months*.

27. A student cheated on a midterm examination by copying the work of another student.
Discipline: A mark of zero in the course and a suspension from the University for 4 months*.

28. A student cheated on a midterm examination by copying material from the paper of another student.
Discipline: A mark of zero in the course and a suspension from the University for 4 months*.
29. A student submitted a report that was plagiarized from Internet and other sources.

Discipline: A mark of zero in the course and a suspension from the University for 4 months*.

30. A student submitted an assignment that he/she had plagiarized from one submitted by another student in the same course from the previous year.

Discipline: A mark of zero in the course and a suspension from the University for 4 months*.

31. A student submitted a book review and the first draft of a final research paper which were plagiarized from published sources.

Discipline: A mark of zero in the course and a suspension from the University for 4 months*.

32. A student assisted another student to cheat in a lab quiz.

Discipline: A letter of reprimand.

33. A student cheated on a lab quiz by copying material from another student.

Discipline: A mark of zero in the course and a suspension from the University for 12 months*.

34. A student falsified that date on a doctor’s note in order to gain an academic accommodation for a final examination.

Discipline: A mark of zero in the course and a letter of reprimand*.

35. A student submitted an assignment which he/she had plagiarized from an assignment submitted by another student two years earlier.

Discipline: A mark of zero in the course and a suspension from the University for 4 months*.
36. A student submitted an assignment that was partially plagiarized from an Internet source.

   Discipline: A mark of zero in the assignment and a letter of reprimand.

37. A student cheated on a quiz by copying answers to several questions from another student sitting next to him/her.

   Discipline: A mark of zero in the course and a suspension from the University for 6 months*.

38. A student allegedly assisted another student to cheat on a quiz by allowing that other student to copy his/her paper.

   Outcome: Allegation dismissed.

39. A student cheated on a final examination by bringing unauthorized material (cheat sheet) into the examination room.

   Discipline: Due to extenuating circumstances, a mark of zero in the course and a suspension of only 4 months from the University*.

40. A student plagiarized by copying the work of another student and submitting it as his/her own assignment.

   Discipline: A mark of zero in the course and a suspension from the University for 4 months*.

41. A student allegedly assisted another student to plagiarize.

   Outcome: Allegation dismissed.

42. A student copied the work of another student during a final examination.

   Discipline: A mark of zero in the course and a suspension of only 4 months from the University*.
43. A student allegedly copied the work of another student during the final examination.

Outcome: Allegation could not be proven. Warning to student.

44. A student colluded with another student on an assignment.

Discipline: A mark of zero in the course and a letter of reprimand*.

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Discipline: A mark of zero in the course and a letter of reprimand*.

* In all cases indicated by an asterisk, a notation of disciplinary action is entered on the student’s transcript. At any time after two years have elapsed from the date of his or her graduation the student may apply to the President to exercise his discretion to remove the notation.

Students under disciplinary suspension from UBC may not take courses at other institutions for transfer of credit back to UBC.