Neosho County Community College
Mary Grimes School of Nursing

Academic Honesty Policy

Mary Grimes School of Nursing follows the college policy with regards to Academic Honesty. Honesty is essential in the practice of nursing. Dishonesty in nursing practice can impact the safety of patients, self, and colleagues. Therefore, Mary Grimes School of Nursing faculty take academic honesty very seriously and will not tolerate violations of this policy. All cases of academic dishonesty result in discipline at the college level and may result in suspension or dismissal.

Per NCCC policy, academic dishonesty is defined as “a behavior in which a deliberate means is employed to gain undeserved intellectual credit or advantage”. Conditions of academic dishonesty identified in the college academic dishonesty policy are interpreted by the nursing program as follows:

- Providing or receiving information during any examination or assignment such as course exams or the possession and/or use of unauthorized materials or information during any exam or assignment.
- Stealing, buying or obtaining by any means, all or part of any exam or assignment, administered or unadministered, including answers.
- Providing or receiving unauthorized assistance in the laboratory/simulation, practicum or on a course assignment.
- Submitting plagiarized work. Plagiarism is the representation of another’s work, words or ideas as one’s own; it includes the unacknowledged word for word use and/or paraphrasing of another person’s work, and/or the inappropriate, unacknowledged use of another person’s ideas.
- Submitting work that is prepared totally or in part by another as one’s own work (such as, but not limited to, a report, forums, concept maps, documentation in electronic health records) for academic credit.
- Submitting substantially the same work to satisfy requirements for one course that had been submitted to satisfy requirements for another course, without permission of the instructor of the course for which the work is being submitted.
- Falsification, fabrication, misrepresentation, or dishonesty in reporting academic materials and/or assessment data as it applies to practicum environment and assessments.
- Alterations of academically related records (such as, but not limited to: police report, physician physical or release form, immunization records, etc.) or unauthorized use of such records.

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