

MIDDLE EAST TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY

NORTHERN CYPRUS CAMPUS

**ACADEMIC CODE OF ETHICS\***

One of the basic principles of Middle East Technical University is to develop humanitarian and moral values of its students for the good of society.

Within this context, the students of METU Northern Cyprus Campus are expected to adopt the following ethical values, and behave according to these principles:

- 1) Students must do all the work on their own.
- 2) Students must not cheat or help others to do so.
- 3) Students must not deceive the academic staff or help others to do so.

Academic dishonesty includes, but is not limited to the following:

- 1) Cheating includes, but is not limited to the following:
  - a. Providing information to or receiving information from others in the exams,
  - b. Using unauthorized material or information in the exams (such as: writing information (formula, text, etc.) on calculators and furniture; writing additional information on authorized sources such as tables and books in open-book exams),
  - c. Working with other students in homework assignments, projects or reports where teamwork is not allowed (Working together is limited to brainstorming only. The “effort” in the homework, project or report should belong completely to the student.),
  - d. Submitting homework, projects, summer practice reports, or laboratory reports taken partially or entirely from others or from a source (book, internet, paper, etc),
  - e. Submitting homework, projects, summer practice reports, or laboratory reports taken partially or entirely from a previously graded work.
- 2) Deception includes, but is not limited to the following:
  - a. Attending a lab session, or taking an exam in place of another student; or letting someone else attend a lab session, or take an exam in place of one’s own,
  - b. Signing an attendance sheet for another student; or letting someone else sign an attendance sheet for oneself,
  - c. Altering any data collected through experiments or surveys or acquired from other sources,
  - d. Misreporting the findings of a theoretical, experimental or empirical analysis,

e. Providing unused sources as reference.

3) Plagiarism: Using ideas or words of other people without crediting the source as if they are their own. (\*\*)

The following actions are regarded as plagiarism:

a. Using printed or internet sources without reference to the source,

b. Copying sections from different sources (e.g. “copy-paste”) without quotation and reference,

c. Using a source by revising the words without reference.

d. Using ideas of other people without acknowledging the original source of the idea.

Violations of the academic code of ethics may result in disciplinary actions, ranging between a “Warning” and “Dismissal from the University”.