



NOTRE DAME OF MARYLAND UNIVERSITY

HONOR CODE

The Honor Code of Notre Dame of Maryland University has been a tradition since 1926 when un-proctored tests were initiated. It is founded on a pledge each student takes to act with integrity in academic and personal life.

Based on the personal integrity of the individual and an active concern for others, the Honor Code is motivated by personal values, religious conviction, good taste and mutual trust. The Honor code signifies the ideal of academic and personal integrity that each student is expected to model. Living the Honor Code strengthens the entire community and cultivates an atmosphere of unity founded on trust.

The Honor Code is based on the personal integrity of the individual. Academic honesty assumes that all work submitted as one's own is, in fact, one's own; therefore:

1. Examinations and tests are generally unproctored.
 - a. A signed pledge on all tests and on all assignments will confirm the student's intention of academic honesty. Students write: "I hereby affirm that I have neither given nor received help on this exam, paper or assignment. (Signature)
 - b. To safeguard the student, all class materials will be left in designated areas and, whenever possible, adequate space will be left between students.
 - c. When a student leaves an exam room during the course of taking the exam, he or she is to indicate this and the period of time of absence on the exam paper which is to be handed in.
 - d. If a faculty member has definite reason to believe that cheating is going on in his/her class, he/she has the option to proctor tests and /or exams.
 - e. All exams must be handed directly by the students to the faculty member in charge of administering the exam.
 - f. No conversation will be permitted during the testing period.
2. Violations of the academic code include, but are not restricted to:
 - a. Cheating in any type of test
 - b. Plagiarism by presenting material of others as one's own without giving due credit
 - c. Misrepresentation in bibliography and footnotes
 - d. All electronic forms of dishonesty, e.g., lending someone your Notre Dame ID card, or dishonest use of computer facilities and accounts.

Your signed pledge will become part of your student file. Please sign this pledge and return it to the Notre Dame staff before leaving campus today.



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HONOR PLEDGE

**With a keen sense of responsibility, I accept this symbol of my entrance into the world of scholarship. And I give this pledge of my purpose to wear it worthily.
I shall try to follow all truth.
I shall try to see all beauty.
I shall try to be all goodness,
And thus to come to that Eternal Wisdom
Which is the Word of God.**

HONOR PLEDGE COMMITMENT

Every student accepts and is bound by the honor code for academic integrity when she/he enters the Notre Dame community (at orientation, upon initial registration, etc.) Students are asked to sign the honor code pledge during her/his first semester at Notre Dame. A copy of the signed pledge is kept on file.

I _____ agree to adhere to academic and social integrity in furthering my education, as well as the welfare of Notre Dame of Maryland University, my classmates and myself. In fulfilling my obligations under the Honor code, I agree to abide by all academic and social policies and standards at Notre Dame of Maryland University.

Signature

Date

Type of student:

Weekend/evening student: _____

Major: _____

Cohort student: _____

Cohort #: _____

Graduate student: _____