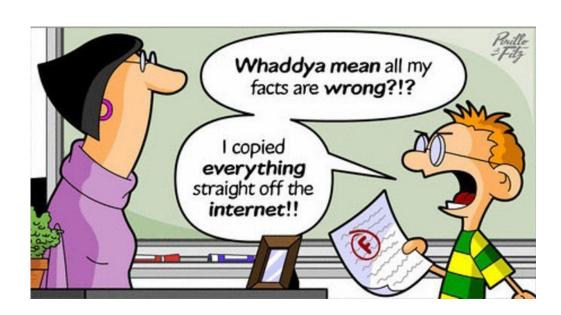# Academic Honesty in Computer Science

Plagiarism and Cheating

- representing someone else's work as your own

- using the ideas, text, or code of someone else without appropriate acknowledgement

- allowing someone else to write or alter your own work and submitting it as your work

Academic Honesty

- Write your own code.
- Submit your own code.
- Act with integrity.

Write your own code!

- Do **NOT** copy and paste code.

Submit your own code!

- Do **NOT** submit:
  - Code written by another student (from the current or a previous semester)
  - Code that you did not write
  - Code that you wrote but someone else altered/fixed
  - Code or answers taken from an online source (including stackoverflow, chegg, etc.)

Act with integrity.

- Do **NOT**:
  - Post a request asking someone else to write an answer or code
  - Post a homework question, project, or exam question to an online study site or other website and ask someone else to complete it
  - Communicate with anyone else (except your instructor) during an exam
    - this includes other students, TAs, and tutors
    - this includes e-mail, text, instant messaging, and any other form of communication
  - Give someone else exam questions (even after the exam is over)

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Academic Honesty Violations

- Academic honesty violations
  - will result in a grade of zero on the assignment or exam.
  - could lead to a failing grade in the course.
  - can result in disciplinary procedures.

Academic Honesty Violations… in the Real World

- Academic honesty violations
  - can be the end of an interview process
  - can mean you can't do the job you said you could
  - can lose you a job
  - could have legal ramifications

Resources and Code is Everywhere!

- There are many great resources and places to go for help (including stackoverflow and others).

- Getting help from online resources is okay to do!

- People in the *real world* do this all the time.

- It's actually a good skill to be able to find information you need online.
  - However… in school, we're typically working on the actual coding skill, not the skill of finding information!

So how can I use these resources?

- When you have a problem, get help!
  - Ask me!
  - Post to the discussion board
  - Ask another student, tutor, TA, colleague, etc.
  - Look in the textbook or other books
  - Look online
- **Then, put the help/resource away.**
  - Close the book
  - Close the browser
  - Turn off your phone
  - Remove the resource from your sight
- **Write the code yourself.**

So how can I use these resources?

- When you have a problem, get help!
- Then, put the help/resource away.
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- Using this approach, you will:
  - Ensure that you understand the topic/code/solution
  - Be able to explain the code
  - Act with integrity
  - Learn! ☺

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Not sure what to do?

- If you're ever not sure if something is okay or allowed, ask!
  - You'll never get in trouble for bringing up the question!

- It's 11:57... you couldn't figure out the answer and now you see it right there online!
  - Don't copy and paste!!!
  - **Talk to me!**

WRITE YOUR OWN CODE!