

**THE UNIVERSITY OF WINNIPEG SENATE
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SENATE ACADEMIC STANDARDS AND MISCONDUCT COMMITTEE
2024-2025**

As Chair of the Senate Academic Standards and Misconduct Committee (SASMC), I submit the following report to Senate for the 2024-2025 academic year.

In 2024-2025, the membership of the Committee consisted of

Anne-Laurence Caudano Acting Associate Dean of Arts, Chair (until 31 December 2024)

James Hanley, Acting Associate Dean of Arts, Chair (since 1 January 2025)

Colin Russell, Registrar (ex officio non-voting)

Brandon Christopher, Faculty Member of Senate

Danielle Defries, Faculty Member

Valerie Pelleck, Faculty Member

Cathy Mattes, Faculty member of Senate

Ian Fraser, Faculty Member

Pauline Pearson, Faculty Member

Abrar Abdelmahmoud (until December 31)/Tomiris Kaliyeva (since January 1), UWSA Senator

From May 2024 to April 10, 2025, SASMC reviewed 141 cases of academic misconduct. There were 20 cases in which the SASMC determined insufficient evidence to conclude academic misconduct had occurred. There was 1 case in which the SASMC declined to proceed with as it was not course related. It was the view of the Committee that it was not a matter related to academic misconduct. The case was referred to the Registrar as a matter of non-academic misconduct.

Of the 141 cases, there were 8 cases of aiding and abetting/file sharing, 30 cases of cheating, 9 cases of falsification, 9 cases of improper research/academic practices, 85 cases of plagiarism (including cases involving the use of generative AI).

In the 8 cases of aiding and abetting/file sharing, penalties included:

- 0 on assignment
- 1 case in which the student was to write a letter of apology to the instructor, failure to do so would result in a hold on the account
- 1 case in which the student delivered a presentation on files sharing in front of the SASMC
- Exam to be graded with a deduction of 10%
- Exam to be graded with a deduction of 20%

In the 30 cases of cheating, penalties included:

- 0 on assignment/test/exam
- 0 on midterm with the exam weighted at 30%; remaining 5% moved to another assignment

- 0 on final exam and that the instructor be allowed to determine how remaining marks are assigned
- 0 on a portion of the exam with an extra 5% deduction
- F in course
- F in course and 1 year suspension

In the 9 cases of falsification, penalties included:

- 0 on assignment
- F in course
- F in course and suspension for one term

In the 9 cases of improper research/academic practices, penalties included:

- 0 on assignment
- F in course

In the 85 cases of plagiarism, penalties included:

- 0 on assignment/term/exam
- 0 on assignment and an extra deduction from the final course grade
- Final exam re-weighted to 30%; other assignments be re-weighted to 70%
- F in course
- F in course and a suspension
- F in 14 courses and expelled from UW
- Resubmit assignment with a 10% deduction
- Submit assignment of instructor's choosing; must complete the "Plagiarism 2024 Cohort" module on Nexus

The Senate Academic Standards and Misconduct Committee generally meets twice a month throughout the academic year. The Committee has dealt with cases of student academic misconduct from PACE, as well as the Faculties of Arts, Business and Economics, Education, Kinesiology, Science, and Graduate Studies.

Each case received careful attention and deliberation. The Committee would like to thank the instructors, support staff, DRC/ARC committees, and DRC/ARC Chairs who devoted time and gave care to these cases. The SASMC particularly thanks Jackie Benson for her efficient administrative support on this committee.

Respectfully submitted,

James Hanley
Chair, Senate Academic Standards and Misconduct Committee