

# STUDENTS' HONOUR CODE

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#### **Premises**

- 1. The present Students' Honour Code states the standards of behaviour that all enrolled students shall observe in their dealings with the University.
- 2. All students shall familiarise themselves with the rules established by the following University regulations:
  - a) The Statute of the University of Trento;
  - b) The Code of Ethics of the University of Trento;
  - c) The University's Academic Regulations;
  - d) The Academic Regulations for their Course of Study;
  - e) The University Regulations for Doctoral Programmes;
  - f) The Internal Regulations of their PhD Programme;
  - g) The University of Trento Student Regulations;
  - h) Other University Regulations governing services and activities as far as students are concerned.
- Students shall keep themselves informed through the University website on matters concerning the organization of first, second and third level courses and, in particular, lessons and academic career management.

#### **General values**

- 1. Students shall comply with the provisions of laws, the University's Statute, the University regulations, respect general values and adhere to ethical principles.
- 2. Like the other members of the University community, students shall respect cultural differences and avoid all kinds of direct or indirect discrimination against individuals or groups of people based on their age, sex, religion, disability, sexual orientation, marital status, pregnancy, membership in associations or organizations, personal beliefs or opinions, or other characteristics considered discriminatory.
- 3. Being part of the University community means to participate in academic life, therefore students:
  - a) play an active role in ensuring the quality of academic commitment and the pursuit of excellence in study and research;
  - b) help promoting freedom of thought and expression;
  - c) participate in the University's government, also taking direct responsibility in student's representative bodies;
  - d) encourage participation in organizations and association, to foster the growth of a supportive, responsible and happy community of students.
- 4. Students behave in a collaborative, equal, supportive, fair and loyal manner in the relationships with all the members of the University community.
- 5. Students respect the roles and functions of faculty members and facilitate educational activities, research work and study.
- 6. Students shall always use appropriate, respectful and not offensive language in spoken and written communication with members of the University community (regardless of the media used, social networks included).
- 7. The student's behaviour is guided by dignity, decorum, mutual respect and it is directed towards an ordered academic life and the civil co-existence of people in the academic context.
- 8. Students shall use the University's facilities and equipment only for institutional purposes, with the utmost diligence and efficiency, avoiding waste and preserving University properties.
- 9. Students can turn to the Student Ombudsman (Garante degli Studenti) to encourage behaviours respectful of this Honour Code and of the Code of Ethics, and to avoid behaviours that are contrary to the University regulations or constitute a criminal or civil offence. The Ombudsman's activity is regulated by the Regulations for Students of the University of Trento.

### Specific behaviours

1. In agreement with the values established in the present Honour Code, students:



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- a) do not make, spread and/or use false and lying statements, documents or untrue sources of information, in order to achieve an unfair advantage, even of non-economic nature;
- b) do not deliberately fabricate, omit or modify information and/or data on their identity and their academic career:
- c) do not modify and/or forge documents concerning their or other students' career, as for example, minutes, records or exam results;
- d) do not take another person's place to perform actions that are useful for their academic career; they are aware of the sanctions that can be imposed on them and their accomplice e.g. if they write a paper, a dissertation, a report, a presentation, a thesis on behalf of another student;
- e) during exams, they report actual or potential conflicts of interest such as the existence of spousal relationships, family relationships or affinity up to the fourth degree, cohabitation, family or sentimental relationships with a member of the exam committee;
- f) during exams, do not consult sources of information and materials that are not allowed, and do not use tools, including IT tools, that were not previously permitted by the exam committee;
- g) do not use other people's intellectual work without their consent (plagiarism). Students are aware that plagiarism is the improper reproduction or unlawful appropriation of others' intellectual property. When using ideas, concepts, presentations, data and every other information taken from other people's written or spoken works, they shall correctly quote the source or obtain the express consent of the author/inventor in advance.
- 2. Students respect the services, facilities and equipment made available by the University and therefore:
  - a) use the material and financial resources of the University with due diligence, care and responsibility, so as not to damage, litter or spoil the University's properties and furniture;
  - b) use the University's resources entrusted to them for their intended purposes;
  - c) comply with the rules governing the services provided, for example the regulation of the University library, the regulation of the University Language Centre (Centro Linguistico di Ateneo - CLA) and the rules to access and use computer rooms, laboratories and study halls.