

**THE UNIVERSITY OF WINNIPEG SENATE**  
**ANNUAL REPORT**  
**SENATE ACADEMIC STANDARDS AND MISCONDUCT COMMITTEE**  
**2023-2024**

As Chair of the Senate Academic Standards and Misconduct Committee (SASMC), I submit the following report to Senate for the 2023-2024 academic year.

In 2023-2024, the membership of the Committee consisted of

Anne-Laurence Caudano, Acting Associate Dean of Arts, Chair  
Colin Russell, Registrar (non-voting)  
Brandon Christopher, Faculty member of Senate  
Delia Gavrus (until December 31, 2023), Faculty member of Senate  
Cathy Mattes (since January 1, 2024), Faculty member of Senate  
Esmat Elhami, Faculty member  
Ian Fraser, Faculty member  
Pauline Pearson, Faculty member  
Sherry Hebert, Faculty member  
Christine Quiah, UWSA Senator

The Senate Academic Standards and Misconduct Committee generally meets twice a month throughout the academic year. Besides this year's work on updates and revisions to the Academic Misconduct Policy and Procedures, 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.

From May 2023 to April 2024, SASMC reviewed 179 cases of academic misconduct. The number of cases is lower than the previous two years (242 in 2021-22 and 209 in 2022-23).

In 16 of these cases, SASMC determined there was insufficient evidence to conclude academic misconduct had occurred. Of the 163 remaining cases, there were 9 cases of aiding and abetting/file sharing, 39 cases of cheating, 4 cases of falsification, and 111 cases of plagiarism. 31 cases implicated the use of AI text-generating tools.

8 of these 163 cases are scheduled for an upcoming meeting and are not included in the following report on penalties.

In the 9 cases of aiding and abetting/file sharing, penalties included:

- 0 on assignment
- 12% deduction from final course grade
- A finding of misconduct with a note be place in the student's file
- F in the course with a warning that the next appearance will likely lead to suspension

In the 39 cases of cheating, penalties included:

- 0 on the assignment/test/exam

- 0 on the final exam and that the instructor be allowed to determine how remaining marks are assigned
- Exam be graded and assigned a value of 17.5% in lieu of 35%
- Exam be graded and assigned a value of 20% in lieu of 40%
- Exam be graded and assigned a value of 35% in lieu of 40%
- F in the course
- 1 case involved an F in the course and full calendar year suspension
- Reinstated and given an F in the course since this was a second offence
- Finding of misconduct with a record placed in the student's file letting them know that a future case would be treated as a second offence

In the 4 cases of falsification, penalties included:

- 0 on the assignment/test/exam
- 0 on the assignment with an additional 10% deducted for a second offence

In the 111 cases of plagiarism, penalties included:

- 0 on the assignment/term/exam
- 0 on the assignment and an extra deduction from the final course grade
- 0 on the assignment and a recommendation to make use of the Writing Center and the resources the University has to offer
- 50% deduction from the grade of the assignment
- F in the course
- 2 cases resulted in an F for the course and a suspension
- 30% penalty and can resubmit an assignment with proper referencing for the remaining 5%
- Resubmit the assignment with a 10% deduction
- Assignment graded with a 10% deduction
- Finding of misconduct with a record placed in the student's file
- In 3 of the cases, due to a procedural error, students were allowed to resubmit the assignment and not face any penalty besides a record on their file

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,



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Chair, Senate Academic Standards and Misconduct Committee