

WHAT HAPPENS WHEN MIT STUDENTS VIOLATE THE ACADEMIC INTEGRITY POLICY?

Engaging in academic misconduct can take a toll on your personal and professional relationships at MIT and beyond.

Below are some of the most common consequences students have encountered in the past - please note each individual student may not experience them all.

Students may be referred to the Committee on Discipline for follow-up.

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If instructors believe you may have engaged in misconduct, they may refer you to the Office of Student Conduct and Community Standards to participate in the Committee on Discipline (COD) process.

If you are found responsible, potential outcomes can range from a warning to permanent expulsion from MIT, depending on the severity of the situation.

Students may also be subject to academic consequences in their courses.

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You could also face departmental and/or course consequences, which may include:

- Being required to re-submit an assignment.
- Receiving a reduced or failing grade on an assignment or in a course.
- Being removed from a research project.

These academic consequences are often assigned separately from COD action. Be aware that the COD will not reverse these academic actions even upon request.

Students may also face other personal, academic, and professional consequences.

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The impact of violating the academic integrity policy can extend beyond disciplinary action and academic action.

You may experience both personal and professional consequences, such as:

- Loss of trust from faculty and staff.
- Negative reputation among peers.
- Loss of future opportunities.
- Loss of confidence in yourself.
- Loss of financial resources (funding, scholarships, etc).
- Loss of research/teaching positions.