

## THE IMPORTANT OF ACADEMIC INTEGRITY AMONG STUDENT

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### Abstract

Academic integrity is important to ensure the level of student achievement. However, the problem such as plagiarism is common among student in order for them to finish their assessment. The aim of this paper is to assess the important of academic integrity among student. This examination give the mindfulness awareness on written falsification and scholarly unscrupulousness among student.

**Keywords:** *academic integrity; academic dishonesty; plagiarism; student*

### INTRODUCTION

According to American University (n.d.), academic integrity essentially means intellectual honesty, honesty in the use of information, in formulating arguments, and in other activities related to the pursuit of knowledge and understanding. In order to maintain the academic integrity, it involves on creating and expressing your own ideas in course work, acknowledging all sources of information, completing assignments independently or acknowledging collaboration, accurately reporting results when completing student assessment. Academic integrity involve the process to express original ideas, cite sources, work independently, and report results accurately. However, not many studies have ben done on academic dishonesty and teachers' perception of academic integrity (Kwong et al.2010).

According to Seadle (2011), the author stated that plagiarism has become a salient issue for universities and thus for university libraries in recent years. In these days of easy internet, access where everything seems available with no effort involved, it is easy to be seduced by the available resources. Simon et al. (2013) studied that plagiarism occurs when a student copy other people work without appropriate acknowledgement. Therefore, it is important to preserve plagiarized works for considerations for archiving works of plagiarism (Seadle, 2011).

The aim of this study is to evaluate the important of academic integrity among students. In order to achieve this aim, we evaluate the level of student understanding about academic integrity.

### ISSUES

In iversity, student always have problems with plagrism. In academic context, plagiarism can be defined as copying other people production without crediting the source. Nowadays, students do plagiarism in most of their assessment work. This is because they only focus on completing the assessment without thinking about the quality. Student are lack of awareness about academic integrity.

### RESEARCH OBJECTIVES

The aim of this research is to evaluate the important of academic integrity among student at the Faculty of Information Management, Universiti Teknologi MARA. In order to achieve this aim, we identify three sub-goals. They are:

- To identify the important value of academic integrity among students.
- To examine the level of student understanding of academic integrity.
- To identify the issue related to academic integrity.

### RESEARCH QUESTIONS

Based on the research issues, we identify three questions that might be important in this research. The research questions are:

- Why academic integrity is important among student?
- What is the level of student understanding on academic integrity?
- What is issue that can lead to academic integrity?

### PROPOSED FRAMEWORK AND EXPECTED OUTCOMES

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The important of this research is to provide awareness to students about academic integrity. It is because one of the issues that we look is plagiarism and academic dishonesty behavior. Therefore, this research will reduce any issue regarding academic integrity among student.

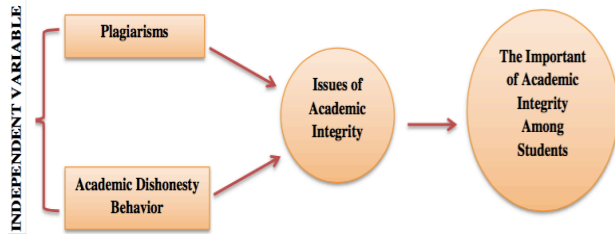


Figure 1. Research Framework.

Based on Figure 1, we identify the issues of academic integrity which include plagiarisms and academic dishonesty behavior. We assume that the issue is important in order to evaluate the level of academic integrity among student. In this framework, we identify independent variable to evaluate the level of plagiarism and academic dishonesty behavior.

**CONCLUSIONS**

As a conclusion, each students should be awared about the value of integrity. This is to avoid any plagiarism issue in their assessment. By doing this, student will have more ability to have new idea in every assessment. It will improve their ability in writing and completing better assessment.

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