Print out this page, read the policy carefully and then sign and fill in the required information. Hand in the signed copy by the published due date.

15-110 ACADEMIC INTEGRITY POLICY

Academic integrity means that any work you submit for this course is your own. This is critical to your learning. The policy’s intention is that you never hand in something you don’t understand. Your understanding must be deep enough that, if necessary, you could re-do the work completely on your own. In short, do your own work.

We want you to collaborate with other students only if the collaboration improves your understanding. Therefore, you can talk about the assignments, but no one may take notes or record the discussion. When you write your solution, it should be yours. Go to a separate area and write your own code or answers. Do this individually so that you don't end up copying someone else’s work. Your own solution, even if it is incorrect, is much better than someone else's that you don't understand.

When working on programming assignments, do not look at other students’ code or show them your own. If you need that kind of help, get it from the course staff. You may discuss your code at a conceptual level; for example, “do we need a loop for this purpose or just an if-statement?” You may collaborate on code at a whiteboard, but you may not take notes or photographs; the purpose of the collaboration is to develop your understanding so that you can then solve the problem yourself, on your own.

If the course staff sees similarities between your work and that of another student, we will attempt to understand what happened. Usually this involves asking you to explain your work and how you did it, and to re-create the work or solve a related problem during our meeting.

For exams, your work must be your own with no communication between you and others (except course staff), and you may use only authorized materials.

Often students have trouble keeping up with the workload due to personal issues. If this happens to you, your best action is to see your instructors. We can help you work toward a solution and will be happy to assist.

In this class, cheating, copying, or plagiarism means copying all or part of a program or homework solution from another student or unauthorized source, or knowingly giving such information to another student, or handing in a copy of work that you and another student did together, or giving or receiving unauthorized information during an examination. If you use information from another authoritative resource, you must cite the source of this information (and receive permission if required).

Students who violate this policy will be charged with academic dishonesty that can result in failure in this course and possible expulsion from Carnegie Mellon University. Review the official University Code for more information.

By signing below, I acknowledge that I have read the statements above and have reviewed the University's policy for cheating and plagiarism, and I will abide by these policies in this course.

Signature

Name (Print) ____________________________ Andrew ID ____________________________

Lab Section ____________________________ Date ____________________________