

## Academic Integrity and Conduct Policy - updates in 2023

Australian College management team approved a new Academic Integrity and Conduct Policy in June 2023. The new policy and procedures set out the College's expectation relating to academic integrity and apply to all staff, students (current and past) and contractors from 1<sup>st</sup> July 2023.

### What you need to know

The main changes under the new policy and procedures are intended to provide greater clarity to students and staff about what behaviours are considered cheating behaviours in the current context.

They are also intended to provide students with faster, educationally-focused outcomes for identified breaches wherever possible and appropriate, and ensure that more serious breaches can be resolved in a more timely way than in the past.

Please, ensure you access the policy, read and understand it at your earliest convenience.

### Use of artificial intelligence and writing assistance tools

The main policy updates you need to be aware of is that we do not generally permit use of artificial intelligence content generators and tools to create or modify your assessable work. You can only use these tools if your trainer/assessor has expressly permitted you to do so. This means that the unapproved use of AI tools in the completion of assignments is considered to be a breach of academic integrity.

This also applies to the use of other writing assistance tools, including grammar checkers, translation and paraphrasing tools, and reference generators.

You may only use artificial intelligence and writing assistance tools in assessment tasks if you are permitted to do so by your trainer/assessor, and if you do use them you must also acknowledge this in your work, either in a footnote or an acknowledgement section.

You can contact your trainer/assessor by emailing [trainer@australiancollege.edu.au](mailto:trainer@australiancollege.edu.au)

If you are permitted to do this by your unit coordinator, you must also include a statement in your submitted work that you have used AI tools in completing the work and how you have done this (see note above about other writing assistance tools).