

Adopted: February 18, 1992

**ACADEMIC SENATE  
OF  
CALIFORNIA POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY  
San Luis Obispo, California**

Background Statement: Campus Administrative Manual (CAM) articles 684, et al, state in part: "The University will not condone academic cheating or plagiarism in any form..." These articles further define cheating and plagiarism and what procedures shall be followed when cheating or plagiarism is noted.

While it must be accepted that all students are aware, prima facie, what cheating and plagiarism are, and as such that to cheat or plagiarize is unacceptable behavior, reference to these factors is not well publicized in documents readily available to students. Specifically, the current University Catalog references the California Administrative Code in its appendix on page 739, a few pages short of the end of the catalog. The University Winter 1992 Schedule of Classes likewise offers a single line (in small print) near the back of the schedule under the major topic of Campus Rules. This latter reference is found under Article IX. PETS ON CAMPUS.

**AS-378-92/IC  
RESOLUTION ON  
VISIBILITY OF THE POLICY ON CHEATING AND PLAGIARISM**

WHEREAS, California Polytechnic State University is governed by certain regulations as published, specifically Title V of the California Administrative Code and the Campus Administrative Manual; and

WHEREAS, Section 41301 of the California Administrative Code identifies cheating or plagiarism as one of many actions which justifies expulsion, suspension or probation of students; and

WHEREAS, Campus Administrative Manual (CAM), section 684, "Academic Dishonesty; Cheating and Plagiarism" further establishes university policy and defines cheating and plagiarism; and

WHEREAS, The University Catalog and the Schedule of Classes publications do not adequately address the issues of cheating and plagiarism, and as reference to these are neither identified in tables of contents or indexes; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the statement below be printed in both the University Catalog and the Schedule of Classes immediately following the Table of Contents of each document, and that this statement be given a single page and be in bold print;

**CHEATING AND PLAGIARISM**

**CAL POLY WILL NOT TOLERATE  
ACADEMIC CHEATING OR PLAGIARISM IN ANY FORM**

Learning to think and work independently is part of the educational process.

Cheating or plagiarism in any form is considered a serious violation of expected student behavior and may result in disciplinary action. All faculty and students are encouraged to review the formal policy on cheating and plagiarism (including definitions, sanctions, and appeal procedures) found in the Campus Administrative Manual, Section 684.

University policy can be summarized simply;

As a student, you are responsible for your own work and  
you are responsible for your actions.

Proposed By: Academic Senate  
Instruction Committee  
January 14, 1992  
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**State of California**

**MEMORANDUM**

To: Dr. Charles Andrews, Chair  
Academic Senate

Date: March 23, 1992

File No.:

From: Warren J. Baker  
President

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Subject: Academic Senate Resolution AS-378-92/IC-Cheating and Plagiarism Policy

Based upon the review and recommendation of Vice President of Academic Affairs Bob Koob, I am approving the subject resolution. For your information, arrangements are being made for including the statement in the new University Catalog.