

A Resolution to Amend the Code of Academic Integrity (03/5)

WHEREAS, the Code of Academic Integrity was adopted to promote academic integrity among the students, faculty, librarians and administration of The George Washington University; and

WHEREAS, the Code specifically addresses "Falsification and forgery of University academic documents" (Article II, Section 1, Paragraph b, Subparagraph 4) by students of the University; and

WHEREAS, such falsification and forgery of a University document prior to an individual's matriculating in a course of study at the University may be, and has been, challenged as falling under the jurisdiction of the Code of Academic Integrity; and

WHEREAS, both the paper and electronic applications for admission to the University require the applicant to acknowledge that all of the information provided on the application is "factually correct and honestly presented;" and

WHEREAS, it is expressly stated in the University Bulletin that "If a student knowingly makes a false statement or conceals material information on an application for admission or any other University document, the student's registration may be canceled. If such falsification is discovered after the student has matriculated at the University, the student may be subject to dismissal from the University" (Undergraduate Bulletin, 2002-2003, p. 49; Graduate Bulletin, 2002-2003, p. 36); and

WHEREAS, the University does exercise its right to dismiss students who have made false statements or have concealed material information on their applications for admission from the University; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE FACULTY SENATE OF THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

That the phrase "the application for admission" be deleted from Article II, Section 1, Paragraph b, Subparagraph 4, of the Code of Academic Integrity.

**Joint Committee of Faculty and Students
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