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# Enhancing Academic Integrity and Facing Academic Dishonesty

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## Overview and Purpose

- An idea in the works: the shifting focus of today's panel
  - Supporting a culture of academic integrity
- 1. Brief remarks by panel
- 2. Structured discussion

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#### Context

- Teaching load
  - Upper-level, major courses
  - Graduate classes
- Academic Integrity is core value
  - Essential
  - Educate, investigate, take action

# Yet, I struggle

- Don't they just know?
  - Assume best
- Haven't they learned this already?
  - Repeating vs. reinforcing
- Time to devote?

## Cont.

- •How?
  - Read & worksheet?
  - Discuss?
  - Boring....
- Violation
  - Educate?
  - Report?

# Needed support

- Institutional
- Workshops
- Discussions with colleagues
- Effective resources/ strategies

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# What's a new faculty member to do?

- Little or no training
- Different priorities/backgrounds
- •Overwhelmed?

## Into the fire....

- First experience
- ...and second
- ...and third

•What??

# Creating a conversation

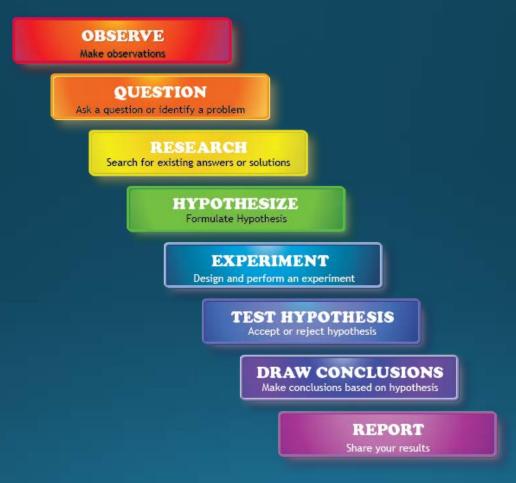
- This is OUR issue, as a class
- This is not about punishment, it's about learning respect
- We're working on it together, as a group, as a team
- We're asking questions, double-checking

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# A Scientific Perspective



# "It's just a lab report"

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Trial 8	12.68	1.2	16.09	1.9	5.092	0.8	5.05	2.0	
Trial 9	12.68	1.0	4.72	0.9	5.053	1	5.174	2.0	
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Trial 12	9.927	1.1	16.166	2	x	х	x	x	

# From Student to Doctor



## Headlines

- Researcher who spiked rabbit blood to fake HIV vaccine results slapped with rare prison sentence
  - Washington Post, 2015

#### Chemist Admits to Mass Misconduct

- An analyst that worked for a state drug lab in Massachusetts has confessed to mishandling evidence in tens of thousands of drug cases.
  - The Scientist, 2012

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# Community, Trust, and Integrity

Bemoaning the loss of trust or insisting on the need for trust is one thing: resolving to create or maintain that trust is something quite different and much more important.

(Flores and Solomon, 1998)

- Trusting in the classroom and beyond
- Trusting, trustworthiness, and integrity

Structured Discussion

## Questions

- What does academic integrity mean to you? What strategies do you use to maintain or enhance academic integrity, in the classroom, in your scholarship/creative works, or in your discipline?
- What are we, as a university, doing well in terms of creating a broader culture of academic intergrity?
- Reflecting on your own experiences or those shared by the panel, where do you see opportunities to support or strengthen academic integrity?
- What kinds of things could the Center for Academic Ethics do or offer that would support a culture of integrity?

# Wrap-up

- Panel
  - Challenging
  - Dialogue & support needed
  - Innovative, positive approaches
- Structured Discussion