

**Honor Board
Report for Faculty Meeting**

2021-22

The Academic Honesty Policy of the College is overseen by an Honor Board consisting of faculty and students. For the 2021-22 academic year the Faculty members were Glenn Kranking (History and Scandinavian Studies), Martin Lang (Communication Studies), David Obermiller (History), Jacob Siehler (Mathematics, Computer Science, and Statistics), and Patricia Snapp (Music), with one open faculty seat. Student members were Alexia VonRuden '22, Lillie Ortloff '22, Tatum Batchelder '22, Reed Kottke '22, Elizabeth "Ellie" Hartmann '23, and Tessa Yeager, '24. Associate Provost and Dean of Sciences and Education, Valerie Banschbach, is the *ex officio* Provost's Office convener of the Board.

Academic Honesty Policy violations are submitted by faculty to the Provost's Office. In January of 2022, we transitioned Academic Honesty violation reporting to the Maxient software system, enabling evidence to be submitted directly with reports, facilitating timely response letters and effective record-keeping. The [new reporting link](#) is situated on the [Honor Board's webpage](#) and at the top of the All Faculty Moodle site.

As of April 21st, In the 2021-22 academic year, 36 first-time violations of the Academic Honesty Policy have been reported, 5 second-time violations, and no Honor Board hearings have been requested. The number of reports this year so far falls within the range of numbers of reported violations over the past six years (Table 1).

Table 1. Academic Honesty Policy Violations 2015 – 2022

Term	2021-22	2020-21	2019-20	2018-19	2017-18	2016-17	2015-16
<i>Fall in-person</i>	29	1	11	14	8	28	10
<i>Fall online</i>	3	27	0	0	0	0	0
<i>January</i>	0	0	1	0	4	3	2
<i>Spring in-person</i>	6	6	1	17	11	20	10
<i>Spring online/HB</i>	3	41	41	0	0	0	0
Total AY	41	75	54	31	23	51	22

The PCDEI policy review subgroup is developing some DEI-focused suggestions for edits to the Academic Honesty Policy and Honor Code (along with many other policies under review). These changes should be taken into consideration for incorporation into future versions of the Academic Honesty Policy and the Honor Code, along with the research that the Honor Board carried out last year related to other institution's policies and procedures. The Honor Board is interested to learn what concerns faculty have about the Academic Honesty Policy language and the Honor Code System. Are faculty satisfied that students are learning enough about academic honesty during their time at Gustavus? Please reach out to an Honor Board member to share your thoughts.

Respectfully submitted,
The Honor Board Members and Associate Provost Valerie Banschbach