Using Online Resources

Academic Integrity Matters

WHAT IS ACADEMIC INTEGRITY?
Academic integrity is doing your own work, based on your understanding of the course content, without the use of outside assistance, from start to finish for all course assignments, quizzes, and exams.

THE POLICIES

This information is intended to help students understand University policy and actions that might constitute a policy violation. Please visit the Student Code of Conduct for complete policy information.

ACADEMIC MISCONDUCT
Students are expected to complete their work with academic integrity and follow all university policies on academic honesty. Examples of academic dishonesty can include:

- Using unauthorized assistance, or access to or use of unauthorized materials, information, tools, or study aids;
- Submitting work that you did not complete;
- Submitting the same work for one course or academic requirement that has already been submitted;
- Helping another student engage in academic misconduct;
- Plagiarism;
- Working with other students to complete your work;
- Not following instructor expectations regarding coursework completion.

PLAGIARISM
Anytime you use someone else’s words, themes, ideas, or phrases, you must use appropriate citations and quotation marks. Students are expected to have basic knowledge about how to properly cite sources and use quotation marks.
SO, AM I ALLOWED TO USE ONLINE RESOURCES?

Using online resources could result in student disciplinary action.

TENDERING INFORMATION
Students cannot give or sell their work to another person who plans to submit it as their own. Examples include:

- Giving another student a copy of your homework assignment;
- Giving another student answers to an exam;
- Taking an exam and giving information to another student who will be taking the same exam;
- Selling or giving another student a paper.

OWNERSHIP OF COURSE-RELATED PRESENTATIONS & UNAUTHORIZED SALE OF OTHERS’ INTELLECTUAL WORKS
Course-related presentations, including lectures, are owned by the presenter. Uploading or sharing these presentations (including notes taken during the presentation) to sites such as Study Blue, Course Hero, and Chegg are a violation of these policies.

MISUSE OF TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES
Students are expected to abide by ISU’s Acceptable Use of Information Technology Resources policy. This policy prohibits the unlawful copying or improper use/distribution of copyrighted materials.

This really depends on how you are using these resources. If you are using outside resources for academic advantage, to complete your coursework (assignments, quizzes, exams, etc.), and/or to provide unauthorized information to others, you are likely violating policy. Remember, academic integrity is doing your own work based on YOUR understanding of the course content - taking information from outside resources doesn’t meet these standards.