

**Summary of Honor Council Cases
Fall 2004 - Fall 2009
Meredith College**

Fall 2009	16 academic dishonesty cases (11 plagiarism) 3 non-academic cases Total # of cases - 20 (1 student found not responsible)
2008-09	23 academic dishonesty cases (5 plagiarism) 20 non-academic cases Total # of cases - 45
2007-08	25 academic dishonesty cases (18 plagiarism) 41 non-academic cases Total # of cases – 66
2006-07	22 academic dishonesty cases (13 plagiarism) 17 non-academic cases Total # of cases – 39
2005-06	20 academic dishonesty cases (15 plagiarism) 18 non-academic cases Total # of cases – 38
2004-05	11 academic dishonesty cases 22 non-academic cases Total # of cases: 33

***Examples of academic dishonesty** as listed in the *2009-2010 Student Handbook*: plagiarism; unauthorized collaboration, copying, or acceptance of assistance in the preparation of academic work; the use of notes, books or other unauthorized aids on exams; stating that assignments are completed when they are not; aiding or abetting a dishonest action of another student, and furnishing false information.

***Plagiarism** is defined in the *2009-2010 Student Handbook* as the “intentional representation of another person’s words, thoughts, or ideas as one’s own.”

***Non-academic violations** include violations of male guest, alcohol or drug policies; harassment of another person; disorderly conduct; theft, misuse of, or damage to any personal property; failure to follow directions given by College officials or staff members; furnishing of false information to campus administrator; lying with the intent to deceive; etc. The entire list of Honor Code violations is found in the *2009-2010 Student Handbook*.

***Ranges of sanctions:**

Depending upon the gravity of the violation, most sanctions include an educational component. Sanctions in the last few years have ranged from warning to suspension or delay of graduation (expulsion is a possible sanction) and may also include, but are not limited to, sessions with the counseling center (when appropriate) or the director of academic and career planning; letter of apology to professor or other student(s) involved; sessions at the learning center or academic and career planning, specifically addressing an area of concern; the rewriting of an assignment or paper for the assignment of a new paper or essay with correct citations for no grade; interviews with professors followed by reflection papers; completion of an educational bulletin board of flier in the residence halls; the submission of an editorial for the *Herald* about the importance of the Honor Code, academic integrity, ethical decision-making or another appropriate topic, etc. Students who violate the Honor Code for the second time, especially in the area of academic dishonesty, may receive a suspension for a period of time (Honor Council may recommend sanctions of delay of graduation, suspension or expulsion, but the final decisions for these very serious sanctions are decided upon by the President of the College).