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Dear Faculty Member,

As we enter a new academic year I write in anticipation of your interest in maintaining high academic integrity standards for your courses and the university. The entire academic community benefits from the establishment and adherence to such standards.

Division of  
Student Affairs

Student Judicial  
Affairs and  
Community Standards

An academic integrity overview, a publication that provides brief information on the importance of standards, gives descriptions of dishonest acts, and explains consequences for students found responsible, is available in both viewable and printable forms through the Faculty link (under Publications) on the Student Judicial Affairs Web site (<http://www.usc.edu/student-affairs/SJACS>). Returning students, as well as those entering the university for the first time, can benefit from clear statements about the academic standards for your class. If you find the publication is useful as a supplement to your instructions for assignments and your course syllabi, it can be printed from or viewed on our Web site.

We have also partnered with USC Libraries in educating students about academic standards. Your students can learn more and take a tutorial found at: [http://www.usc.edu/libraries/about/reference/tutorials/academic\\_integrity/index.php](http://www.usc.edu/libraries/about/reference/tutorials/academic_integrity/index.php).

I also encourage you to view and browse the Faculty link to become familiar with the reporting process. Our Web site includes a link to an electronic version of Appendix B to the Student Conduct Code (academic integrity violation report form).

The "2009-2010 *SCampus*" (the student handbook) is now available on line (<http://www.usc.edu/scampus>). It contains the university Student Conduct Code and other student related policies that may be of importance to you.

Please contact our office, via email [sjacs@usc.edu](mailto:sjacs@usc.edu) or by phone (213)821-7373, if you have any questions or wish consultation regarding academic dishonesty or student behavior in your classes.

Sincerely,

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