

What are the CBTS policies regarding plagiarism?

Plagiarism Policy & Academic Integrity

CBTS holds dear the Christian virtues of integrity and honesty. As a student of CBTS you are expected to bear these Christian virtues. Because CBTS desires your greatest good as a student, we take very seriously the offense of plagiarism. Plagiarism, the failure to give proper credit for the words and ideas of another person, whether published or unpublished, is strictly prohibited. All written material submitted by students must be their own original work; where the words and ideas of others are used they must be acknowledged. Additionally, if students receive editorial help with their writing they should also acknowledge it appropriately.

Part of the student's personal Christian growth is allowing his or her character to be reflected in the work which he or she completes as a student. It is the desire of CBTS to see great integrity and honesty reflected in all work which is completed by students.

The following are penalties for plagiarism

First offense: The student is spoken to by the professor and/or the Academic Dean and the incident is recorded and entered into the student's permanent record. The project or assignment in question receives a failing grade, and it is at the discretion of the professor to allow an additional assignment to be completed.

Second offense: In a second case of plagiarism, the student is suspended for one year. Re-admittance to study at CBTS requires the approval of the president of the seminary in consultation with the faculty, academic committee and the Board of Directors.

Third offense: In a third case of plagiarism, the student is expelled from the seminary and will not be permitted to graduate with a degree. Expulsion will proceed as determined by the faculty and academic committee, and approved by the Seminary President.

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