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College of Distance Education and Training Policy Letter 06-15

From: Director

Subj: COLLEGE OF DISTANCE EDUCATION AND TRAINING (CDET) ACADEMIC

INTEGRITY

Ref: (a) MCU Academic Regulations of 31 Oct 13

(b) MCU Student Handbook of 31 Oct 13

(c) CDET Academic Integrity Manual | 2015

- 1. <u>Purpose</u>. To promulgate the academic integrity policy for the CDET. The intent of this policy is to inform CDET learners, faculty, and proctors of the importance of academic integrity as it pertains to personal, academic, and professional endeavors.
- 2. <u>Background</u>. The CDET's intellectual reputation depends on maintaining the highest standards of personal, intellectual, and professional honesty. Participants in any CDET program—every learner, faculty member, and proctor—must agree to follow the CDET Academic Integrity Policy. By agreeing to the policy, participants pledge to uphold the CDET standards of academic integrity for personal integrity, collaboration, and plagiarism.

This CDET policy, while in accordance with the MCU policies, addresses unique requirements of the distance learning programs that require additional guidance.

3. Policy

- a. <u>CDET Academic Integrity Policy</u>. The CDET Academic Integrity Policy is an educational restatement of the Marine Corps' Core Values of honor, courage, and commitment that applies to all CDET faculty, proctors, and learners whether they participate through MarineNet or Blackboard seminar programs:
 - "Academic integrity is essential to the success of the educational process; every member bears a responsibility for ensuring that the highest standards of academic integrity are upheld. The three components of academic integrity—personal integrity, collaboration, and plagiarism—are embodied in the Marine Corps' core values and ethics."
- b. <u>Acknowledgement Requirements</u>. As stated in references (a) and (b), CDET participants must acknowledge and adhere to the MCU Academic Integrity Policy—and the CDET Academic Integrity Policy. Reference (c) explains the CDET Academic Integrity Policy and must be read by all CDET participants.

- 1) <u>CDET Learners</u>. CDET learners (MarineNet and Blackboard seminar) acknowledge that they understand and will adhere to the CDET Academic Integrity Policy by electronic means within their course.
- 2) <u>MarineNet Proctors</u>. MarineNet proctors acknowledge that they understand and will adhere to the CDET Academic Integrity Policy by electronic means before every examination they proctor.
- 3) <u>Blackboard Seminar Faculty Members</u>. Blackboard seminar faculty members must adhere to the CDET Academic Integrity Policy as a requirement for being appointed or assigned as a faculty member.

c. Academic Integrity Violations

- 1) <u>MarineNet Learners</u>. The first time a MarineNet learner violates the CDET Academic Integrity Policy will result in:
 - Disenrollment from the course and marked as a failure.
 - Notification of the learner's commanding officer or officer-in-charge.
 - Disabling the learner's MarineNet account for 30 days.
 - Lockout from the course for a specified period of time (90 days for lance corporals and below; 6 months for corporals and sergeants; one year for staff sergeants and above).
 - Removal of any additional roles (reassignment can be requested after restricted access is removed.

Subsequent violations will result in the same actions as above and the notification of the learner's commanding officer or officer-in-charge along with history of previous violations.

- 2) <u>Blackboard Seminar Learners</u>. Blackboard seminar learners who violate the CDET Academic Integrity Policy will be referred to a student performance evaluation board.
- 3) <u>MarineNet Proctors</u>. The first time a MarineNet proctor violates the CDET Academic Integrity Policy will result in:
 - Notification of the proctor's commanding officer.
 - Disabling the proctor's MarineNet account for 30 days.
 - Removal of any additional roles for one year.
 - Loss of proctor privileges for one year.

Subsequent violations will result in:

- Notification of the proctor's commanding officer along with history of previous violations.
- Disabling the proctor's MarineNet account for 30 days.
- Indefinite removal of any additional roles.
- Indefinite loss of proctor privileges.

4) <u>Blackboard Seminar Faculty Members</u>. Blackboard seminar faculty members who violate the CDET Academic Integrity Policy will be permanently banned from instructing any CDET program. J.K. Kerugen

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