

ACADEMIC HONESTY and REMOTE EXAMS – FALL 2021 EXAM PERIOD

For the Fall 2021 examination period, all exams will be held remotely from any location that is convenient and accessible to the student. Remote exams are written in an unsecure environment. As a result, we are expressly reminding students of their academic and ethical obligations under York University's and Osgoode Hall Law School's academic rules and policies.

Students, at all times, must adhere to York University's Senate Policy on Academic Honesty and

- Must not discuss the exam with anyone or communicate (in any way including online, verbally, in person, or by expression, etc.) with anyone during the time they are taking the exam, except to contact Student Services staff for technical assistance.
- Must not discuss or in any way communicate about the exam question(s) not only during, but also after the exam; this includes giving the exam question(s) to anyone else and discussing the content of the exam question(s) with anyone else.
- Must use/access only the authorized materials during the exam as determined by their instructor.
- Must not copy/cut and paste any content or material from their desktop or other device into their exam answers.
- Must dispose of or otherwise delete or destroy the exam question package at the conclusion of the exam.
- Must provide attribution for any content or material that is not their own. To safeguard against
 academic dishonesty, exams may be submitted by an instructor or the Administration to comparative
 software services (e.g. Turnitin) that assist in verifying the originality of work and other academic honesty
 issues. Students are deemed to have consented to such submission as a condition of writing their
 exam(s).

Students must comply with the exam instructions as indicated on the exam cover sheet. These instructions include any suggested reading periods and the start/end time of the exam. The official start time for all upper year standard remote exams is 9:00am. The official start time for all first-year standard remote exams is 1:30pm.

The <u>15-minute download period</u> preceding the official start time for the exam is for downloading, workstation set-up, and troubleshooting only. <u>A student MUST NOT begin reading or working on the exam in any way during this time.</u> This matter is monitored by Student Services staff using Examplify. If your instructor indicates on the cover sheet that you may not access certain materials (e.g. library books) then you are not permitted to do so in your remote exam.

As has been the case in previous terms based on remote examinations, any suspected failure to comply with the above requirements and/ or with any aspect of the Senate Policy on Academic Honesty, including any form of suspected cheating under the Policy, will be thoroughly investigated and addressed under the Policy. Student Services staff and instructors will review exams and the examination process closely for any evidence of cheating, plagiarism, collaboration, etc.

Students should be aware that, when a person applies to the Law Society of Ontario Lawyer Licensing Process, the person must answer the following question as part of the Good Character Requirement: "While attending a post-secondary institution, have allegations of misconduct ever been made against you, or have you ever been suspended, expelled or penalized by a post-secondary institution for misconduct".