

# Assessing Course-Level Sanctions

Course instructors may assess a range of course-level sanctions once they conclude that a student in their course has committed a violation of the University Policy on Academic Integrity. Possible course-level sanctions are outlined below in order of increasing severity.

Sanction	Definition	Reported to OCR?	Subject to Appeal?
Report only	No penalty is assessed at the course-level.	Yes	No
Zero on assignment/exam	The course instructor records a zero for the assignment/exam on which academic integrity violation occurred.	Yes	No
Negative points on assignment/exam	The course instructor records a negative point assessment for the assignment/exam on which academic integrity violation occurred.	Yes	No
Reduction in final course grade	The course instructor reduces the final grade in the course by a designated number of letter grade(s).	Yes	No
Course failure	The course instructor assigns an R grade in the course.	Yes	Yes

In assessing a sanction, the course instructor may consider the following:

- Degree of premeditation
- Egregiousness of the violation
- Presence of violations on multiple assignments
- Degree of honesty in engagement with course instructor(s)
- Degree of harm to other students in the course, department, or university
- Contribution of the assignment/exam to the final grade assessment