

Reframing academic integrity perspectives

*If they don't know the rules
can we blame them?*

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Gag warfare: standups in legal row over 'stolen' comedy routine

Kae Kurd begins libel case at high court against Darius Davies over public accusations of plagiarism

● **Joke theft is as old as comedy itself - and not easy to prove | Brian Logan**



▲ Kae Kurd on Jonathan Ross' Comedy Club last year. Photograph: ITV

Have you heard the joke about the internet-connected fridge that sent so many text messages it was like having a nagging partner?

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German politicians suffer high of embarrassment from plagiarism from sex scandals

Third minister in Angela Merkel's administration falls country's fixation on academic credentials



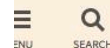
▲ Franziska Giffey has stood down as Germany's family minister, but will still continue to work in the government.
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When a political career ends in disgrace, it is usually over a deal, an extramarital affair or rumours of a sordid sexual relationship. In **Germany**, where the darkest possible stain on a politician's reputation is a plagiarism scandal, the scandal is a slapdash footnote in their doctoral thesis.

Philip Oltermann in Berlin

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German minister beats plagiarism charge

Inquiry deems 'no misconduct' in Von der Leyen doctorate



Ursula von der Leyen



MARCH 9, 2016 by: **Stefan Wagstyl** in Berlin

Ursula von der Leyen, German defence minister, can breathe a sigh of relief after an official inquiry into claims that she plagiarised her doctorate found that her transgressions were not serious enough for her to forfeit her PhD.

What is higher education for?

honesty, trust, fairness, respect, responsibility, and courage

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Academic misconduct is an age-old practice. It dates back to the Ming and Qing dynasties, when Chinese students used miniature copies of books to cheat in their civil-service examinations. Fast forward a few thousand years, and cheating in academia is still alive and well – it has simply taken on a new, more sophisticated form. No longer confined to the pages of tiny books, answers and essays can now be purchased and sold online through a practice known as contract cheating.



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While legislation has lessened the impacts of this issue in Ireland, academic misconduct and threats to academic integrity persist. Statistics are difficult to come by online. However, in an email statement to *The University Times*, the Office of the Junior Dean said that “in 2015/16 [Trinity] College was made aware of 12 instances of academic misconduct. This raised to 45 in 2016/17 and stayed at approximately the same levels in 2017/18 and 2018/19 with 42 and 47 respectively. Information on 2019/20 is not yet available”.



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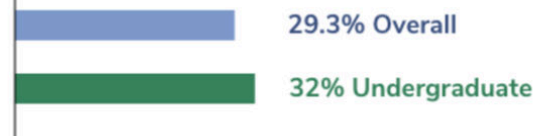
Research into cheating at the college and university began in 1990 by Dr. Donald McCabe, one of the founders of ICAI. This research continues today, spearheaded by ICAI and its members.

McCabe's original research and subsequent follow-up studies show that **more than 60 percent of university students freely admit to cheating in some form.**

In March 2020, ICAI researchers tested an updated version of the McCabe survey with 840 students across multiple college campuses. This work showed the following rates of key cheating behaviors:



Cheated in any way on an exam

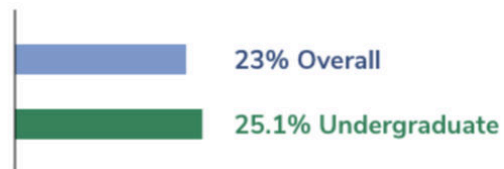


Getting someone else to do your academic work (e.g. essay, exam, assignment) and submitting it as your own.



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Using unauthorized electronic resources (e.g. articles, Wikipedia, YouTube) for a paper, project, homework or other assignments.

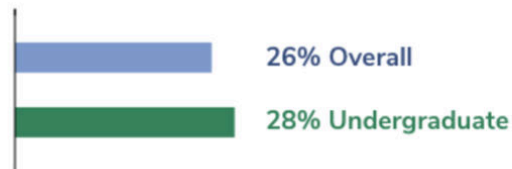


Research into cheating today, spearheaded by

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Working together on an assignment with other students when the instructor asked for individual work.



Cheating on the rise in Irish

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Who Is Punished for Plagiarism?

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Panagiotis G. Ipeirotis has taken down the blog post that set off the debate, but it is raging on without the original material.

Ipeirotis, a computer scientist who teaches at New York University's Stern School of Business, wrote a post on his blog last week called "[Why I will never pursue cheating again.](#)" In it, he told the story of how he found that about 20 percent of a 100-person class had plagiarized -- and described the fallout from his accusations. While Turnitin led to his initial suspicions, and gave clear evidence for some of the students, it only cast doubts on other students. Many of them confessed only when Ipeirotis told the class that if he didn't hear from those who had cheated, he would report the incident immediately -- whereas in the end he included in his report the information that students had admitted what they had done.

So why does Ipeirotis consider the experience a failure? His students became antagonistic, he wrote on the blog post, and gave him lower teaching evaluations than he had ever received before. And those poor teaching evaluations were cited in a review that resulted in the smallest raise he had ever received.

To Ipeirotis, the experience led him to conclude that he after

Looking The Other Way
On Cheating In College

Derek Newton Contributor

Education

I write about education, edtech and higher education.

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USA Today recently published [a major piece](#) on the high-tech nature of academic cheating. It's a topic I've written about [frequently](#). Like, [repeatedly](#). Perhaps [obsessively](#).

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Part of the reason I return to the topic of cheating in American colleges is how willfully blind college leaders are to it. Cheating in college is pervasive. Whether it's plagiarism, paying for custom assignments, improperly accessing and using academic resources or something else entirely, no college, no subject, no teacher is immune to it. It happens everywhere and with a frequency that education leaders won't want to imagine.

Plagiarism

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Universities blame others for plagiarism. They need to look at themselves

Frank Furedi

Efforts to prevent student plagiarism at universities being seen to be part of the problem



What I find most alarming is not that students cheat but that they don't believe they have done anything wrong. They feel they are playing the system and are acting in accordance with instrumental values internalised in their schooling and higher education. Students who have been **told that they are customers** regard their relationship with academics as a commercial transaction rather than an intellectual relationship.

Customers look for a great bargain, not intellectual stimulation. For customers, what matters is not the buzz that comes from gaining insight into an intellectual problem but the final mark on an essay or exam. The university system conspires to encourage them to obsess about quantifiable outcomes rather than the journey of enlightenment provided by an academic education. For its part, the university, which is also graded on quantifiable outcomes, has every interest in instilling in students the calculating ethos that they live by.

Marketplace of ideas?



Cancel culture: can you defend people who say unpopular things?

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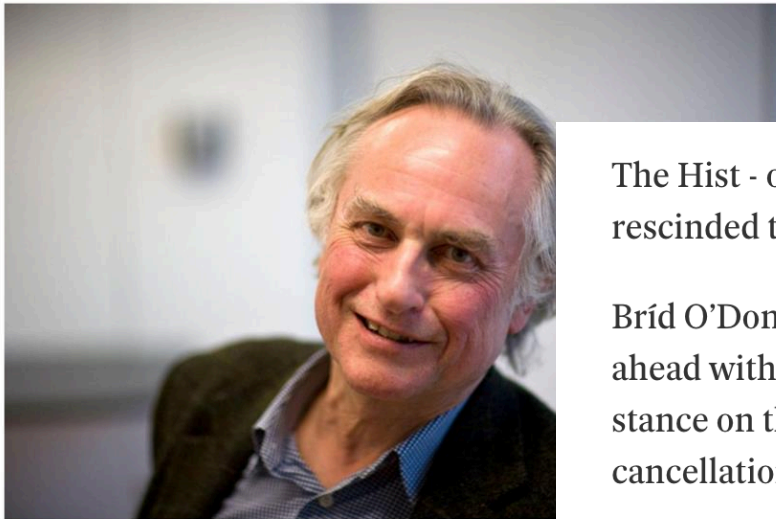
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Trinity College Historical Society rescind Richard Dawkins invitation over author's stance on Islam and sexual assault



Richard Dawkins

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More On Trinity College Dublin

The Hist - or the College Historical Society of [Trinity College Dublin](#) - have rescinded their invitation to Richard Dawkins to address the society next year.

Bríd O'Donnell, auditor of the society confirmed they would not be moving ahead with the controversial author and speaker's planned address, citing his stance on the religion of Islam and sexual assault as reasoning for their cancellation.

She added the society "will not be moving ahead with his address as we value our members comfort above all else".

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Trinity and Richard Dawkins: Better to debate ideas than to ban them

Cancelling motions and deplatforming controversial speakers is becoming common

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- This paper is divided into two sections, Section I COMPREHENDING and Section II COMPOSING.
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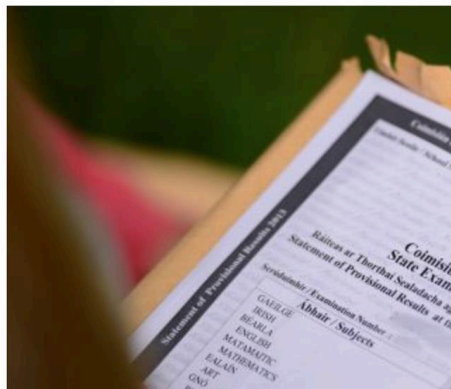
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Universities call for Leaving Cert to be given in June

Issuing results in August 'no longer fit for purpose'

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“The IUA proposes that immediate steps are taken to introduce this revised timeline in 2022.”

In a submission to the committee, Mr Miley said that while the Leaving Cert has many positive attributes, there was a pressing need for reform.

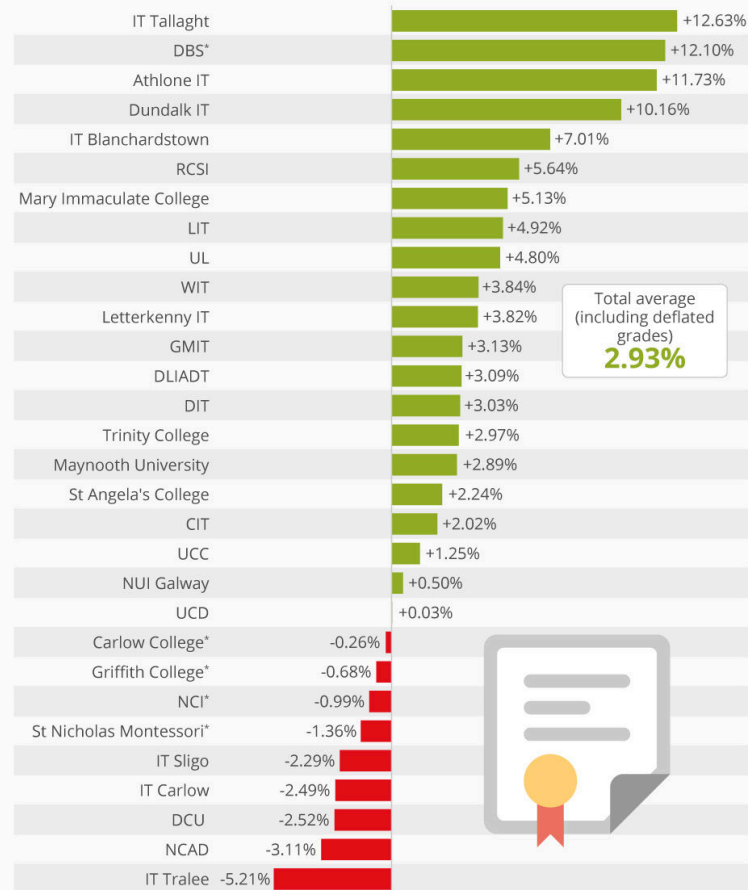
He said the “heavy-weighting” of the final written exams is “far too great” and discriminates against some students with additional needs.

Instead, the association wants “authentic assessment” across all subjects over a three-year period that “genuinely reflects” the learning and thinking of the student.

Grade inflation

The biggest risers in first-class honours degrees

Change in first-class honours degrees awarded at third-level institutions (2015 to 2017)



Graduate Attributes

honesty, trust, fairness, respect, responsibility, and courage

It is important for you to demonstrate academic integrity and the values of honesty, trust, fairness, respect and responsibility in your own learning.

Make some time to review Brightspace to familiarise yourself with academic integrity at TU Dublin.

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Academic Integrity - Students

The screenshot displays a grid of six quiz cards for the 'ACADEMIC INTEGRITY QUIZ'. Each card has a header image, a title, a question, a progress bar, and a completion status.

- Card 1:** Header image of a graduation cap. Title: 'ACADEMIC INTEGRITY QUIZ'. Question: 'What is academic integrity?'. Progress: '0 of 11 Topics Completed' (0%).
- Card 2:** Header image with study icons. Title: 'Quiz 1'. Question: 'Quiz 1'. Progress: '0 of 1 Topics Completed' (0%).
- Card 3:** Header image of two students. Title: 'Quiz 2'. Question: 'How do I show academic integrity in...'. Progress: '0 of 12 Topics Completed' (0%).
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Speak, Memory

Oliver Sacks

February 21, 2013 issue

In 1993, approaching my sixtieth birthday, I started to experience a curious phenomenon—the spontaneous, unsolicited rising of early memories into my mind, memories that had lain dormant for upward of fifty years. Not merely memories, but frames of mind, thoughts, atmospheres, and passions associated with them—memories, especially, of my boyhood in London before World War II. Moved by these, I wrote two short



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