

**Taiwan International Graduate Program
Molecular and Biological Agricultural Sciences Program**

Academic Misconduct Policy

1. The TIGP-MBAS program follows the official policy for handling student academic misconduct as defined by Academia Sinica and National Chung Hsing University. The policy defined here provides a more detailed procedure for the TIGP-MBAS members to follow.
2. All TIGP-MBAS students are expected to receive training related to academic misconduct during orientation, as well as appropriate courses offered by the program.
3. If an act of potential academic misconduct involving any TIGP-MBAS student during the training period is discovered, the faculty member who supervises the student at the time of the incident has the responsibility of investigating the incident and pursuing proper actions as follows:
 - a. For a minor offense, the faculty member has sole discretion to determine appropriate actions, such as requiring additional coursework or adjusting grades.
 - b. For a major offense, the faculty member should inform the TIGP-MBAS program office with a written report (including appropriate evidence). The program office would forward this information to the Student Affairs Committee, as well as the student's thesis advisor (or academic mentor in the absence of a thesis advisor), to pursue appropriate actions (e.g., formal warning, adjusting the stipend, suspension, or dismissal).
4. The offending student has the right to appeal to the Student Affairs Committee (regarding minor offenses) or the Executive Committee (regarding major offenses). If the committee supports the appeal by majority vote, an ad hoc committee should be formed to further investigate the case and make the final decision.
5. The above principles are subject to change with the approval of the TIGP-MBAS Executive Committee.

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