

Mr. Francis
Writers Workshop

I Do Declare

Students are expected to submit original fiction (no "fan fiction") that has been specifically composed for this course. Each manuscript must include a declaration regarding originality and must meet Mr. Francis's expectations for academic and artistic integrity.

The following have been adapted for this course from Stuyvesant High School's Academic Honesty Policy. Examples of academic dishonesty for this course include:

- Submitting a story that does not imply an acknowledgement of its source(s). This applies equally to a single element or an entire narrative. (For example, a modern retelling of Homer's Odyssey should include hints that you recognize your source material; an allusion to song lyrics, film dialogue, comic book conventions, etc. should provide clues to the reader that you are aware you've accessed an established work or body of work.)
- Submitting a story that uses secondary sources for research without acknowledging the resources used. (If an assignment constitutes historical fiction, a list of works consulted should be included.)
- Failing to acknowledge material obtained through online sources, including those used a. to contribute to class discussion or b. to complete an oral presentation, etc.
- Copying from someone else's work to complete an assignment or activity. Also, allowing someone else to copy your work.
- Submitting the same written work in more than one course without the knowledge and approval of the teachers involved. You are specifically prohibited from submitting pieces composed for Creative Nonfiction or other English courses.
- Knowingly participating in a group project that presents plagiarized materials.
- Attempting to submit manuscripts that do not reflect the instructor's guidelines (esp. failing to produce new material or submitting revised material when instructions state otherwise).

Furthermore:

- The Stuyvesant English Department has established that pretending to have done the assigned reading when this is not in fact true constitutes academic dishonesty.
- Any unassigned document sharing--through email, Google docs, web-forums, etc.--must be acknowledged in your declaration.
- Electronic devices are not to be used during class without authorization.