

Commitment to Integrity – University of Wuppertal (students)

This commitment was written in close cooperation with the university's student body.

At the University of Wuppertal, we are committed to a respectful, supportive, and non-discriminatory cooperation in our studies and on campus. We contribute to a university culture in which academic integrity, courage of one's conviction and personal responsibility are valued ([university mission statement](#) and [teaching mission statement](#)). [General contact points](#) provide support in this regard. The commitment is based on [the Basic Law](#), the University of Wuppertal's regulations, i.e., examination regulations, [regulations pursuant to Section 51a HG NRW](#) (Higher Education Act of North Rhine-Westphalia, in German available only) and the university's [Anti-Discrimination Policy](#).

For us the following principles apply:

- We treat each other with mutual respect and appreciation.
- We distinguish between personal opinions and well-founded scientific statements and listen to each other.
- We act openly and communicate in a direct, fair, transparent, and solution-oriented way
- We act in a non-discriminatory manner and do not tolerate discriminatory, intrusive, and offensive behaviour.
- We stand up for our convictions, talk about intrusive behaviour, support people affected, and get in touch with [general contact points](#), if necessary.
- We respect the principles of data protection, information security, and privacy of individuals.
- We practice academic integrity, meaning we cite sources correctly and use resources in accordance with the rules. Furthermore, we do not cheat in examinations or plagiarise.

The university is providing the necessary support:

- We are entitled to a fair, safe, and inclusive study environment.
- The university's [Anti-Discrimination Policy](#) provides support with designated advice and reporting centres.
- Infringements may result in disciplinary action according to the examination regulations and the [regulations pursuant to Section 51a HG NRW](#).
- Procedures are clearly regulated, transparent, and ensure participation and fairness.

I read and took note of the *Commitment to Integrity*.