



## **RUSH UNIVERSITY HONOR CODE**

*I pledge that my academic, research, and/or clinical work will be of the highest integrity. I shall neither give nor receive unauthorized aid; I shall not represent the work of others as my own; I shall not engage in scientific misconduct, and I shall treat all persons with the greatest respect and dignity, just as the ethical codes of Rush University Medical Center and my future profession demand.*

*I recognize that behaviors that impede learning or undermine academic, research, and clinical evaluation, including but not limited to falsification, fabrication, and plagiarism, are inconsistent with Rush University values and must be reported.*

### **Implementation of the Honor Code**

This Honor Code (from now on referred to as the Code) sets the standards for expected professional behavior within the University and the Medical Center. Commitment to this Code is a shared responsibility of all faculty, staff, and students within the Rush University community to ensure the highest standards of behavior, whether in the classroom, the laboratory, or in the clinical setting, and to ensure that education obtained at Rush provides a sound foundation for each student's future success as an academic, scientific, or healthcare professional.

### **Code Enforcement**

Any violations of this Code or suspicion of student or academic misconduct should be reported to the student's college for further review in accordance with the procedures specified by that college. Each college will be expected to set standards for addressing Honor Code violations and cases of misconduct in a fair and consistent manner that best fits their respective student population. Students refusing to sign must submit a letter to their Dean's office explaining why, and adherence to the Code is required for matriculation, whether or not the document has been signed. The Code may also be enforced for off campus actions when the student is representing himself or herself as a member of the University.

### **Commitment**

**I affirm my commitment to this Code and pledge to act with integrity and adhere to the Rush University values of Innovation, Collaboration, Accountability, Respect, and Excellence. I understand that this signed document becomes part of my permanent record, and I must uphold the letter and spirit of this Code throughout my Rush education.**