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Definition

The UCSF School of Dentistry holds its members (faculty, learners and staff) to the highest standards of honesty and integrity to ensure learners’ preparedness and suitability for the dentistry profession. All learners are required to abide by the Honor Code and Clinic Induction Pledge. Violation of the Honor Code and/or Clinic Induction Pledge is a serious offense and can lead to disciplinary action. It is the duty of all learners to familiarize themselves with School of Dentistry By-laws and Regulations and the SOD Education Student Handbook’s policies and procedures in order to avoid breaking the Honor Code or Clinic Induction Pledge through lack of awareness.

Honor Code

As a learner of the UCSF School of Dentistry:

- I will adhere to the UCSF School of Dentistry policies and procedures.
- I will not cheat, plagiarize, act dishonestly, misrepresent my work, submit falsified or fabricated work or work that is not my own, sabotage or interfere with another learner’s work, bully, intimidate, or engage in any unethical behavior not otherwise mentioned.
- I undertake my education with honesty and integrity.
- I will interact respectfully with all my peers, patients, faculty, staff and any other individuals I encounter during my educational duties.
- I will conduct myself in a manner befitting the dental profession and acknowledge that my behavior in public reflects upon the University, the School of Dentistry and the dental profession.
- I pledge to personally uphold and abide to the UCSF School of Dentistry honor code.

Clinic Pledge

All students take the following pledge before beginning clinical training at UCSF Dental Center:

With appreciation of the responsibilities involved in the patient care I am about to provide, I do hereby pledge:

- To accept my professional responsibility to treat, to the best of my ability, all who come to me for care with confidentiality and compassion;
- To actively foster an environment of mutual trust and respect with patients, faculty and fellow students as embodied in the school’s “Academic Environment Philosophy”;
- To uphold the honor and integrity of the dental profession and to contribute to its progress; and
- To continue to advance my knowledge and skills throughout the remainder of my education here at UCSF and beyond.