

Academic Integrity Declaration


Please read and respond to each of the following questions or statements. Submission of this form is **mandatory** and is required to affirm your understanding of the academic integrity rules and expectations associated with your Independent Research Project (IRP).

We strongly encourage you to familiarise yourself with the contents of this form before beginning work on your IRP, as your responses are a formal declaration of your individual responsibility and adherence to academic integrity expectations.

Hi, Marijan. When you submit this form, the owner will see your name and email address.

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1. AI Usage Declaration

Did you use any generative AI tools (e.g. ChatGPT, GitHub Copilot, Bard, Claude) at any stage of your Independent Research Project - including planning, researching, code development or debugging, optimisation, creating documentation, or any other activity? * 

☐ Yes - I used one or more generative AI tools during this project.

☐ No - I did not use any generative AI tools at any point during this project.

2. AI Tools Used

If you answered "Yes" to the question above, indicate which generative AI tools you used during your project. Tick all that apply and specify any others under "Other": 

☐ ChatGPT

☐ GitHub Copilot

☐ Google Gemini

☐ Claude

☐ DeepSeek

☐ Other

3. **AI Acknowledgement Statement in Your Written Report**

If you answered “Yes” in Question 1 (*AI Usage Declaration*), you are required to include a brief **AI Acknowledgement Statement** in your written report. For each generative AI tool used, your paragraph must include:

- The tool name and version (e.g. *ChatGPT-4o*)
- The publisher or provider (e.g. *OpenAI, Google*)
- The URL of the service
- A brief (usually one-sentence) description of how the tool was used (e.g. “used to draft Python unit-test scaffolds”)
- A statement confirming that all the submitted work is your own, despite the assistance received from generative AI tools

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☐ I understand that failing to provide the AI acknowledgement statement or to disclose AI tool usage accurately may be treated as academic misconduct.

4. **Written Report Authorship Declaration**

I declare that:

- I have written the report and all supplementary materials entirely on my own, using my own words, reasoning, and judgment.
- I have **not used any generative AI tools** to assist with the writing of this report. This includes - but is not limited to - drafting, rephrasing, rewriting, translating, correcting grammar or spelling, expanding ideas, or generating content of any kind.
- The report reflects **my own voice** and demonstrates **my independent understanding and analysis** of the work I have conducted.

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☐ I confirm my agreement to the statements above.

5. Code Authorship Declaration

I declare that:

- I have a full and thorough understanding of all parts of my submission, including the code, documentation, tests, configuration files (e.g. CI/CD scripts, environment settings), and any other supplementary materials.
- All submitted work reflects my personal knowledge, understanding, and technical skills.
- I personally wrote all human-readable content in the codebase (e.g. comments, documentation), and it accurately reflects my own understanding.
- Any external sources - including code generated using generative AI tools - are properly cited in accordance with the Library's guidance on referencing AI outputs (<https://tinyurl.com/48mbmp9t>)

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6. Independent Work Declaration

I declare that:

- I have **not outsourced** any part of my Independent Research Project (IRP) to third parties. This includes individuals (e.g. friends, peers, tutors, freelancers), commercial services (e.g. assignment writing companies), automated tools (beyond approved AI usage), or crowdsourcing platforms (e.g. posting questions online to obtain direct solutions to IRP tasks).
- All work submitted is my own and reflects my personal knowledge, skills, and independent understanding.
- If I used or was inspired by external ideas, approaches, or examples, I have cited them appropriately in the written report and, where relevant, included explanatory comments in the code to ensure full transparency.
- No part of the submission has been previously assessed elsewhere (i.e. no self-plagiarism). All submitted work was developed during the official IRP period, and I have not reused or repurposed work created before the IRP start date - even if that work was originally my own.
- While I received appropriate guidance, direction, and feedback from my supervisor, the written report and code I have submitted represent my own voice, reasoning, implementation, and independent understanding of the work conducted.
- If a core idea, method, or starter codebase was suggested or provided by someone else, such as my supervisor, a peer, or collaborator, and forms a

substantial part of the project, I have clearly acknowledged this in the written report and code. **It is unambiguous from the submission what parts of the work are my own.**

- I may have received general feedback or editorial suggestions on drafts of my written report and code, but no one, including my supervisor or peers, directly edited, rewrote, or rephrased any part of the submitted content (including code, text, figures, tables, or any other materials). All elements of the submission are entirely my own work.

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7. Acknowledgement of the Viva and the Authenticity Interview

I acknowledge that:

- Attendance at the viva is mandatory.
- During the viva, I may be asked to discuss or justify any aspect of my submission, and I am prepared to explain any part of my work in detail if required.
- In addition to the formal viva, I may also be required to participate in an authenticity interview - a short, focused oral assessment in which I may be asked to explain specific sections of my code, written report, or design/implementation decisions, without access to any notes or generative AI tools.
- I am fully prepared to demonstrate my understanding of all parts of my submission if requested.

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☐ I confirm my agreement to the statements above.

8. Verification of Understanding

I confirm that I have carefully reviewed my responses above and that they are complete, accurate, and truthful. I understand that any false or misleading information may be treated as a breach of academic integrity and could lead to disciplinary action under the university's academic misconduct policy

(<https://tinyurl.com/5x5sev jy>). * 

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