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# **Issue 1: May 2025**

## Welcome to our new communications channel, **ICAI Highlights!**

Introducing ICAI Highlights! This is our new way to communicate regularly with members.

In this first edition, we will:

- 1. Hear about the new ICAI communications from ICAI President, Blaire Wilson
- 2. Spotlight ICAI Committees and Consortia
- 3. Give you a snapshot from the latest #IntegrityMatters blogs
- 4. Look ahead to our Summer Webinar series
- 5. Look back to our most recent webinar on AIRS
- 6. Give a round-up of Integrity News
- 7. Look ahead to IDoA and the ICAI 2026 Conference

### Introduction from ICAI President, Blaire Wilson

Welcome to the first issue of ICAI Highlights! These communications will be released monthly and will feature excellent content about ICAI as an organization. This may include upcoming events like information about the annual conference or IDoA. We aim to spotlight ICAI members that are involved with interesting research projects, campus programming, and other initiatives. Any updates from your Board of Directors will be found here in this communication. We encourage you to make some time to read through each issue to learn more about what's going on around ICAI or consider ways you might contribute to the organization. Our organization relies tremendously on volunteers who run programs, organize events, contribute content, and much more. I hope you find this new communication method to be effective, efficient, and entertaining!

## How to contact ICAI Highlights

If you would like to contribute an item to ICAI Highlights: for example a member spotlight, a current news issue, or an academic integrity event, please get in touch with the editor: Mary Davis mdavis@academicintegrity.org

### **ICAI** Webpage

Join us on social media







#### Spotlight on ICAI Committees

Did you know ICAI operates through



- 1. Conference
- 2. Content and Communication
- 3. International Day of Action
- 4. Membership
- 5. Research and Assessment

Contact us via the email below if you would like to find out more about the committees. ioin or contribute to the work of a committee.

#### Spotlight on ICAI Consortia

Did you know ICAI supports 6 consortis



- 2. Consortium for Online Integrity
- 3. Latin American International Consortium
- 4 U.S. Northeast Consortium
- 5. U.S. Southeast Consortium
- 6. U.S. West Coast Consortium (new!)

These are a great way to connect and exchange with colleagues in regional networks. We also provide a **networking** consortium toolkit to help members get started.

Regular news from committees and consortia will feature in ICAI Highlights.

# **#Integrity Matters Blog**

Here's a snapshot of our recent blogs: Read more on the <u>Integrity Matters blog page</u>
You are welcome to leave a comment on the blogs for authors and other readers. Start the conversation!



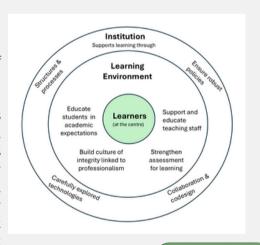
Saints and Scholars....and everything in-between: Our experience of establishing an Academic Integrity Unit in an Irish University

# Mary-Claire Kennedy, Silvia Benini, Fionn McGrath and Reena Cole, University of Limerick, Ireland

Ireland is fondly known as 'the land of Saints and Scholars'. We are enormously proud of our many wonderful poets and thinkers, Oscar Wilde, W.B. Yeats and Seamus Heaney to name a few. So far so virtuous! Unfortunately, some of our aspiring academic scholars are not always so saintly. Accordingly, academic integrity policies and procedures for managing academic misconduct are as core to Irish tertiary education settings as they are to academic institutions globally. In this piece, we reflect on the process of establishing an academic integrity unit within the context of the Irish university sector through some inspiring Gaelic proverbs...

### A Learning-Centred Reframing of Academic Integrity in the GenAl Context Christine Slade, University of Queensland, Australia

As an academic in a tertiary central teaching unit, with ten years of leadership experience in assessment and academic integrity, my research and practice has primarily focused on the growing ease with which students can cheat due to ready availability of online services. My work has aimed to provide a trustworthy assessment environment for students, protecting them from predatory practices and emerging threats. This approach was particularly relevant following the shock of the MyMaster contract cheating scandal in late 2014 (see Gniel, Treloar, Marcon & Maclan, 2024) which necessitated restrictions, detection vigilance, and harsher penalties to address regulatory risks, ensure compliance, protect institutional reputations, maintain award integrity, and mitigate the threat of sensational media coverage...



Read more

#### Do you, your colleagues and/or your students want to write a blog?

If you have an academic integrity message, experience, practice or project to share via a blog, please get in touch with the Integrity Matters blog editor: Mary Davis mdavis@academicintegrity.org

### **ICAI Summer Webinar Series 2025**

Take the opportunity for professional development and community building in academic integrity this summer!

Join us for our fortnightly summer webinar series at 12pm ET on Fridays:

- 1. Building momentum: May 30
- 2. Understanding evidence: June 13
- 3. Working with faculty: June 27
- 4. Providing after education: July 11
- 5. Looking back and looking ahead: July 25

Presenters: Kelly Ahuna, Joseph Brown, Victoria Malaney-Brown, Amanda McKenzie, Wanda Moore, Greer Murphy, Allison Riley, Ainslie Rouse

The webinar series is free for members.

Attend the whole series for an ICAI Certificate of Completion!

**Register** 

Did you catch our latest ICAI Webinar?
Wednesday April 23 at 1pm EST
Finding the State of Academic Integrity on
Your Campus: AIRS 2.0 Re-Release

Presenters: Courtney Cullen, Daniela Gallego and Sofía Fernández

Recording available soon - watch to learn about how you can use AIRS (Academic Integrity Rating System) on your campus.

Check out the AIRS website

## International Day of Action for Academic Integrity -SAVE THE DATE!

Get the memorable date for **IDoA** in your diary for this year!

10.15.2025

More details coming in the next issue of **ICAI Highlights** 

## Integrity News



Have you been following the news stories about integrity? Here's our round up of what's been happening over the past month regarding integrity.

#### • Artificial Intelligence

One current news discussion is about 'Al limbo' where institutions have not yet responded to Al with regulations, guidance and support for student and teacher Al literacy. (see Danny Liu, Patrick Hickey <u>posts</u>). There's also debate about the cost of Al to education and whether institutions should fund it (see Marc Watkins <u>post</u>)

#### Cheating news

Some contract cheating companies are advertising themselves as up for sale. Though this may mean cheating companies are experiencing a downturn, the figures quoted still suggest they are making money from cheating. (see Thomas Lancaster post)

#### Books

Have you seen 'The Opposite of Cheating: Teaching for Integrity in the Age of Al' by Tricia Bertram Gallant and David Rettinger? The book promotes proactive methods for preventing cheating and promoting learning. (see posts by Tricia Bertram Gallant)

#### • Talks

There's lots of discussion about Sarah Eaton's Distinguished Research Lecture on Al, postplagiarism and future-focused learning. Important takeaway: students are not our enemy and educators are here to guide them. (see Beatriz Moya Figueroa post)

# ICAI Conference 2026 - SAVE THE DATE!



Did you enjoy ICAI 2025 in Chicago? We are already planning ICAI 2026 in Denver:

March 5-8, 2026
See <u>Conference</u>
website for details

