ANSWER KEY

Below is the "Answer Key" to the hypothetical situations described above in the "Recommended Agenda for Academic Integrity Discussion" that is included in the first-year advisors' packets.

John and Jamilla – whether or not the situation described is a violation of Wesleyan's Honor Code depends upon the instructions given by the instructor. If the instructor allows (or encourages) student collaboration on problem sets, there is no violation. However, the students should note on their problem set the others with whom they collaborated.

Lucas – Lucas should clarify the instructor's expectations for the use of internet sources. If the instructor permits such sources, Lucus should only use reputable sources and should not use material that is "not identifiable."

Anne – The type of assistance that Anne received is acceptable (and encouraged!) Giving credit for such assistance in the paper is generally a good idea.

Antonio – Antonio should credit the instructor and also provide an explanation to the instructor when submitting the paper.

Maria – Submitting the same work for credit more than once without permission of the instructor is a clear violation of the Honor Code. She should have instead spoken with the instructor and asked for an extension based on her illness.

The most important "take away" from these hypothetical situations is to reinforce that students should speak to their instructors to clarify expectations and/or when they have problems or issues completing their work.

Thanks so much for your support in welcoming these new students to campus!

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