

CSCI 1440/2440 Collaboration Policy

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Students are encouraged to collaborate with their peers in CSCI 1440/2440. Indeed, all labs are pair programmed, and students may submit homeworks and the final project with a partner as well.

When working on homeworks, students may also consult students other than their partner, for example during office hours, but each student or pair of students is always required to: 1. write up their solutions to the homework on their own; and 2. list the names of all students with whom they discussed the assignment on their submitted work.

Unnatural similarities among students' submissions will be forwarded to the Dean of the College's office for review, to assess whether or not there has been a violation of [Brown's Academic Code](#).

As for the use of large language models (LLMs), students can ask them to further explain concepts that have been taught in class (which they may or may not do correctly), but unless otherwise specified, students **cannot** ask LLMs to solve their homework problems for them. If there are grounds for suspicion that a student has engaged an LLM in an unlawful discussion of a specific homework problem, the student's submission will be forwarded to the Dean of the College's office for review, to assess whether or not there has been a violation of this collaboration policy.

If you have any questions about this policy, please ask the course staff for clarification. Not understanding our policy is not grounds for not abiding by it.