

**Honor Code Reflection Paper (Entry Level)
(GEN 099/Whole Person Assessment) (1D)**

Outcome	Proficiency	Definition
<i>Spiritually Alive</i>	<i>Ethical Behavior (1D)</i>	<i>The ability to recognize potential ethical dilemmas and make morally correct choices based on knowledge of professional codes of ethics, the ethical dimensions of professional practice, and the Word of God</i>

Directions for the Reflection Paper

1. Consult the attached rubric to see how the reflection paper will be evaluated.
2. Write at least one paragraph responding to each guide question, for a minimum of two pages, typed and double-spaced. Of course, some questions may require longer, more detailed answers than others.
3. Write well, following correct sentence structure, grammar usage, and spelling, proofreading your work carefully before you submit it.

Guide Questions

1. In one or two sentences, summarize the Honor Code. (The Honor Code is reprinted on the following page of this handbook for your convenience.)
2. What is the purpose of the Honor Code?
3. Choose one section of the Honor Code, and discuss it in more detail.
4. Provide an example of an ethical dilemma that you have faced and how you have handled it biblically.
5. Discuss how you plan to implement the Honor Code in light of Scripture to your daily life, both on and off campus.

ORU CODE OF HONOR PLEDGE

In signing the Code of Honor, I fully recognize that Oral Roberts University was founded to be and is committed to being a Christian religious ministry and that it offers a lifestyle of commitment to Jesus Christ of Nazareth as personal Savior and Lord. I further recognize that the University is an integral part of the Ministry's evangelistic outreach. It is therefore my personal commitment to be a person of integrity in my attitude and respect for what Oral Roberts University is in its calling to be a Christian university.

1. **I PLEDGE** to apply myself wholeheartedly to my intellectual pursuits and to use the full powers of my mind for the glory of God.
2. **I PLEDGE** to grow in my spirit by developing my own relationship with God.
3. **I PLEDGE** to develop my body with sound health habits by completing the required aerobics program and by participating in wholesome physical activities.
4. **I PLEDGE** to cultivate good social relationships and to seek to love others as I love myself. I will not lie; I will not steal; I will not curse; I will not be a talebearer. I will not cheat or plagiarize; I will do my own academic work and will not inappropriately collaborate with other students on assignments.
5. **I PLEDGE** at all times to keep my total being under subjection from all immoral and illegal actions and communications, whether on or off campus. I will not take any illegal drugs or misuse any drugs; I will not engage in or attempt to engage in any illicit, unscriptural sexual acts, which includes any homosexual activity and sexual intercourse with one who is not my spouse through traditional marriage of one man and one woman. I will not drink alcoholic beverages of any kind; I will not use tobacco; I will not engage in other behavior that is contrary to the rules and regulations listed in the *Student Handbook*.
6. **I PLEDGE** to maintain an integrity of openness to God's claims on my life and to do my utmost to know and follow His will for my life.
7. **I PLEDGE** to attend class, all required chapel services on campus, and my choice of a house of worship wherever God is honored and lifted up.
8. **I PLEDGE** to abide by the rules and regulations that may from time to time be adopted by the University administration. I understand Oral Roberts University is a private school, and I therefore have no vested rights in the governing of the school. I accept my attendance at ORU as a *privilege* and *not* a right and that the University reserves the right to require the withdrawal of a student at any time if in the judgment of the President of the University or of the University Discipline Committee such action is deemed necessary to safeguard ORU's ideals of scholarship or its spiritual and moral atmosphere as a Christian university.

I will keep the HONOR CODE PLEDGE carefully and prayerfully. I understand that my signature is my acceptance of the entire Code of Honor and completes a contract between me and Oral Roberts University, which is a prerequisite for matriculation and my continued association with the University. My signed pledge becomes a part of my permanent file. Further, my acceptance of the Code of Honor is a solemn vow and promise to God as to how I will live my life.

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Criteria	Exemplary	Competent	Acceptable	Unacceptable	Not Attempted
Knowledge of the university Honor Code	Demonstrates a thorough knowledge of the university Honor Code	Demonstrates adequate knowledge of the university Honor Code	Demonstrates limited knowledge of the university Honor Code	Demonstrates an incorrect or only a superficial knowledge of the university Honor Code	Does not attempt to demonstrate knowledge of the university Honor Code
Articulation of personal ethical beliefs	Articulates consistently and effectively one's ethical beliefs and approach to ethical decisions	Articulates consistently one's ethical beliefs and approach to ethical decisions	Articulates one's ethical beliefs and approach to ethical decisions	Articulates inconsistently or superficially one's ethical beliefs and approach to ethical decisions	Does not attempt to articulate one's ethical beliefs and approach to ethical decisions
Ability to make morally correct choices	Makes morally correct choices and clearly understands why these choices are correct	Makes morally correct choices but only marginally understands why these choices are correct	Makes morally correct choices but does not know why these choices are correct	Makes morally inappropriate choices	Does not attempt to make morally correct choices
Identification of ethical dilemmas	Identifies ethical dilemmas independently and clearly articulates ethical principles of the dilemma	Identifies ethical dilemmas independently and articulates ethical principles of the dilemma with limited guidance	Identifies ethical dilemmas and articulates ethical principles of the dilemma with guidance	Identifies ethical dilemmas inappropriately and does not articulate ethical principles of the dilemma	Does not identify ethical dilemmas
Use of the Bible in handling ethical dilemmas	Utilizes consistently and independently Biblical principles and identifies specific scriptural references that clarify a Christian response to an ethical dilemma	Utilizes consistently Biblical principles and identifies specific scriptural references that clarify a Christian response to an ethical dilemma with limited guidance	Utilizes Biblical principles and identifies specific scriptural references that clarify a Christian response to an ethical dilemma with guidance	Utilizes Biblical principles inappropriately and identifies incorrectly specific scriptural references that clarify a Christian response to an ethical dilemma	Does not utilize Biblical principles or identify specific scriptural references that clarify a Christian response to an ethical dilemma
Use of the university Honor Code in handling ethical dilemmas	Utilizes consistently the university Honor Code to develop a response to ethical dilemmas and identifies multiple components of the code	Utilizes the university Honor Code and identifies a few components of the code from which to develop a response to ethical dilemmas	Utilizes the university Honor Code	Utilizes the university Honor Code inappropriately to develop a response to ethical dilemmas	Does not attempt to utilize the university Honor Code or identify components of the code from which to develop a response to ethical dilemmas
Analysis of ethical dilemma	Analyzes an ethical dilemma thoroughly and insightfully, examining consequences from a Christian worldview	Analyzes an ethical dilemma thoroughly, examining consequences from a Christian worldview	Analyzes appropriately an ethical dilemma, examining consequences from a Christian worldview	Analyzes inappropriately an ethical dilemma and does not examine consequences from a Christian worldview	Does not attempt to analyze an ethical dilemma