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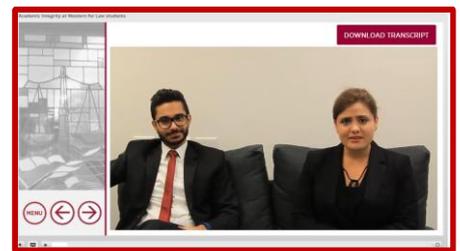
### EDUCATING FUTURE LAWYERS FOR ACADEMIC INTEGRITY - BRINGING A PROFESSIONAL PERSPECTIVE

The School of Law employed partnership pedagogy to bring a professional perspective on educating for academic integrity. This is a great example of helping students to understand the connection between studying with integrity and their future professions.



#### LAW-SPECIFIC INTERACTIVE MODULE ON ACADEMIC INTEGRITY

During 2018, the First Year Advisor for the Law School partnered with Library Staff and Academic Literacy Advisors as well as recent WSU Law graduates now working at Coleman Greig Lawyers, to develop a law-specific 'add on' to the University's Academic Integrity Module.



*Picture 1. Fragment of the law-specific module on academic integrity*

'Academic Integrity for Law Students at Western Sydney' emphasises the importance of integrity in legal practice, and the potential consequences for admission to practice for law students who have an adverse finding concerning academic integrity whilst at law school.

It is an interactive learning module, which was released on the vUWS site of the compulsory first year Unit, Legal Analysis and Critique (LAC) in Spring semester 2018. All LAC students were required to complete the University's AIM and 'Academic Integrity for Law Students' in order to submit their research essay assignment LAC.



Picture 2. Fragments of the module

#### SUCCESSFUL OUTCOMES FOR STUDENTS AND STAFF

This initiative achieved the following:

- It ensured that, from 2018, all first-year law students have completed the University's AIM and the Law AIM;
- It will allow Unit Coordinators in other law units to require students to complete the University's AIM and Law AIM prior to submitting a piece of assessment in their Units;

➤ It will allow academics investigating students in relation to academic integrity issues to check whether students have completed the AIM and the law AIM.

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