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# **Plagiarism Check Policy**

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The core work such as abstract with key words, introduction, objectives, hypotheses, research methodology, analysis, interpretation, summary, conclusion & recommendation of the author(s) shall be based on original ideas covered by zero tolerance policy on Plagiarism or academic dishonesty. Plagiarism is a serious offensive & penalty carrying behavior. Plagiarism is the fraudulent representation of someone else's work, words, images, ideas, opinions, language, thoughts, discoveries, artwork, music, recordings or computer-generated work (including circuitry, computer programs or software, websites, the internet or other electronic resources) whether published or not, as one's own work without properly acknowledging the source, or without the source's permission.

Therefore Plagiarism Check Policy has been made by Sanskriti University based on regulations to distinguish the original work with proper acknowledgement freeing from academic theft, dishonesty, falsification, fabrication, etc. being committed to academic excellence. It has been approved by the Academic Council during the First meeting held on 07.11.2016 with the purpose to use it in research. The main motive behind this policy is to raise awareness regarding the conduct of research thesis, dissertations and other documents with any kind of misconduct under plagiarism. Thus, every higher education institution has to establish these regulations to create awareness for the right conduct of research and activity without threatening the integrity of the entire institution and devaluing the legitimate intellectual accomplishments.

It is necessary to maintain the ethics of research and publication being conscientious about documentation throughout research process. It needs to follow the control measures of plagiarism in various ways by the students, researchers, faculty and staff members.

### **Controlling Plagiarism**

- 1. The approved policy shall be on the University website homepage.
- 2. To ensure Plagiarism free documents during the final submission, a technology-based



mechanism using proper software approved by the University shall be used.

- **3.** An undertaking by every student of a thesis/ dissertation/research paper shall be submitted to indicate that the document originally prepared by the students.
- **4.** A certificate by each supervisor shall be submitted which indicates the researcher's work done under by his/her supervision and is free from plagiarism.
- **5.** Everything shall be proofread thoroughly.
- **6.** Authors are necessarily required to be meticulous to cite references from hard & soft sources.
- 7. All the soft copies of Research Programs, Master Dissertations and Ph.D. Thesis shall be submitted to INFLIBNET by University within a month under the "Sodh Ganga-e-repository".
- **8.** It is to create University Repository in which dissertation/ thesis/ paper/ publication along with other in-house publications shall be on the university website.

## **Exclusion from Plagiarism while checking**

Plagiarism check shall exclude the following:

- Direct quotations work with necessary permission without special purpses.
- References, bibliography, table of content, preface and acknowledgements.
- The generic terms, laws, standard symbols and equations.

#### **Plagiarism Levels & Description**

Levels	Description
Level 0	Up to 10% similarity- No penalty
Level 1	10% to 40% similarity- The candidate shall
	be asked to submit a revised script within
	stipulated time period not exceeding six
	months.



Level 2	40% to 60% similarity- The candidate shall	
	be asked to revise and submit the script	
	within stipulated time period not exceeding	
	one year	
Level 3	Above 60% similarity- Such student's	
	registration for that programme shall be	
	cancelled.	

## **Terms & Conditions of Plagiarism Check:**

It is important to have academic integrity and quality of research at Sanskriti University the following are to be considered for acceptance of documents:

- 1. M.Phil/Ph.D Thesis: Plagiarism of up to 10% will be considered acceptable.
- 2. Research Papers/ Articles, Assignment and Others: Plagiarism of up to 10% will be deemed acceptable.
- 3. PG Dissertation / Thesis: Plagiarism of up to 20% will be accepted.
- 4. Bachelor Research Report/Thesis: Plagiarism of up to 30% will be accepted.

It is noted that the above terms & conditions are mandatory for supervisors & concerned students to maintain the academic standards and uphold the principles of originality & authenticity in research and academic criteria.

### Rules and Regulation for Online Plagiarism Check

- The academician/other should fill all the column of the certificate and sign in the specified column.
- The research supervisor/other should sign in the certificate before submission of the eproject report, dissertation, thesis and other article (only softcopy).
- The author (faculty, student and other) should send the e-project report, dissertation, thesis and other article (only soft copy) to <a href="mailto:hodme@sanskriti.edu.in">hodme@sanskriti.edu.in</a>



- The e-project report, dissertation, thesis and other article (only soft copy) should contain all the chapters including abstract (without references/bibliography).
- The acceptable parallel level should be <10% (less than 10%) /(0 to 10%) with no penalty.
- The e-project report, dissertation, thesis and other article (only softcopy) one should be provided in a digital format, such as a Word document or PDF and Scanned documents or images of the text should not be the part of the contents.

## **Composition of Academic Integrity Panel (School level)**

Designation	Position
1. HOD/Dean of the School	Chairperson
2. Senior Academician (Outside of the School) nominated by the Dean/HOD	Member
3. Expert in using Anti Plagiarism Tool – nominated by the Dean/HOD	Member

<sup>\*</sup>The tenure of the members in respect to 2 and 3 shall be two years.

## **Composition of Academic Integrity Panel (University level)**

Designation	Position
1. Vice Chancellor	Chairperson
2. Senior Academician nominated by the Vice Chancellor	Member
3. Academician (External) nominated by the Vice Chancellor	Member
4. Expert in using Anti Plagiarism Tool – nominated by the Vice Chancellor	Member

<sup>\*</sup>Tenure of the panel shall be three years.



# **Certificate of Plagiarism Check**

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