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## **Plagiarism Policy**

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## Institute Policy on Academic Integrity and Plagiarism Prevention

### Introduction

This policy outlines the institute's commitment to upholding academic integrity and preventing plagiarism in research conducted by faculty, students, and staff. It aligns with the University Grants Commission (UGC) Notification on Promotion of Academic Integrity and Prevention of Plagiarism in Higher Educational Institutions (2018).

### What is Plagiarism?

Plagiarism is the act of presenting another person's work (published or unpublished, including online content) as your own without proper attribution. This includes copying phrases, sentences, paragraphs, or longer sections without acknowledging the source.

Self-plagiarism refers to copying or reproducing a portion of your own published work without proper citation.

### Ensuring Originality

To maintain academic integrity, all research work submitted should be based on original ideas and proper referencing practices. This includes:

- Abstracts
- Summaries
- Hypotheses
- Observations
- Results
- Conclusions
- Recommendations

### Plagiarism Detection Process

The institute employs Turnitin, a plagiarism detection software, to ensure the originality of all submitted work. Research papers, theses, and dissertations are systematically reviewed through this system to maintain academic integrity.

### Expectations for Faculty and Students

- **Faculty:**
  - All UG and PG coordinators will be trained on using turn it in to assess student work.
  - Department heads will utilize Turnitin to screen theses before submission to the Research and Development Centre.
- **Students:**
  - Students are responsible for editing and checking their work for plagiarism before submission.

- Students will submit an undertaking stating the originality of their work and its compliance with plagiarism checks.
- Supervisors will submit a certificate confirming the student's work is free from plagiarism.
- Students of M. Tech. and MBA programmes shall ensure that their project work adheres to the Institute's Plagiarism Policy, which mandates a maximum similarity index of 20%, and compliance is strictly enforced for all PG projects.

### **Similarity Exclusions**

The following elements are excluded from plagiarism checks:


- Properly quoted work with permissions and citations
- References, bibliographies, tables of content, prefaces, and acknowledgements
- Generic terms, laws, standard symbols, and standard equations

### **Consequences of Plagiarism**

Violations of this policy will be reported to the principal for further action. The Dean Research and Development will investigate and recommend appropriate disciplinary measures.

### **Commitment to Academic Integrity**

This institute is committed to fostering a culture of academic integrity and ethical research practices. The implementation of this policy ensures the quality and originality of scholarly work conducted within the institution.



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