

PLAGIARISM POLICY



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PLAGIARISM POLICY

Introduction

Ethics & honesty are the most important wings of the academic/research/professional activities and no person should copy any content/images/models/data/results/algorithm/charts in its original form. It is therefore important for any academic institute to have a policy in place to record facts of plagiarism. Institute insists on all authors to follow the guidelines issued by UGC regarding plagiarism and obey the institutional check for plagiarism and policy of CMRTC. Institute upholds the principle of academic integrity which is achieved through appropriate references and citation practice for all academic/ research works. The purpose of this policy is to allow for a consistent approach to treat plagiarism issues of the institute and to promote a culture of academic honesty and best practice. Globally, plagiarism is recognized as an academic offence and leads to serious legal consequences.

Plagiarism is the reproduction, in all or part, of work prepared without giving recognition to the original source. Plagiarism can include the following:

- a. Failure to cite authors or sources.
- b. Forget to acknowledge the third party works.
- c. Reproduce original-work (text/video/document/image/model/chart/algorithm/idea/results) of others in any medium/language without reference.
- d. More self-citations/self-plagiarism with/without reference.
- e. Claim of collaborative work by a single author without consent of others.

Adoption of Anti-Plagiarism Practices

Plagiarism is considered as academic dishonesty and a breach of journalistic ethics. Globally, many institutions use plagiarism detection software to uncover potential plagiarism practices. CMRTC implements this policy not only to protect the IPR but also to develop the character among the staff/students to be perfect in academic/research/professional/personal endeavor. The institute has subscribed licensed plagiarism detection software to facilitate staff/students. A particular bench mark has also been to keep the plagiarism checked in student's thesis.

Usage Policy

- a. All research-papers/project-reports should be submitted for plagiarism check before evaluation.
- b. The acceptable similarity index limits to 20% i.e., the percentage of overlap between content submitted for detection of plagiarism and to that of any available source material.

Similarity checks for exclusion from Plagiarism

The similarity checks for plagiarism shall exclude the following:

- a. All quoted work reproduced with all necessary permission and/or attribution.
- b. All references, bibliography, table of content, preface and acknowledgements.
- c. All generic terms, laws, standard symbols and standards equations.

Note: The research work of student/staff should be the original ideas that include abstract, hypotheses, observations, results, summary, conclusions and recommendations.

Level of Plagiarism

Classification of severity of plagiarism is as follows:

- a. Level 0: Similarities upto 10%
- b. Level 1: Similarities above 10% to 25%
- c. Level 2: Similarities above 25% to 50%
- d. Level 3: Similarities above 50%

Compliance Statements

All students are required to submit a signed statement that they are aware of the plagiarism policy of the institute and no part of their work be it term paper, project report thesis or dissertation etc. is not copied in any form and it is their own creation.

Penalties in case of Plagiarism

Institution shall impose penalty considering the severity of the Plagiarism

- a. Level 0: Similarities upto 10% - Original research-paper/thesis and such staff/student is recommended for publication/submission.
 - b. Level 1: Similarities above 10% to 25% - allowed level of similarities in the thesis report and such student is recommended for submission.
 - c. Level 2: Similarities above 25% to 50% - Such student shall be asked to submit a revised script after a stipulated time period of 1 month.
 - d. Level 3: Similarities above 50% - Such student shall be asked to submit a revised script after a stipulated time period of 3 months.
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