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What constitutes Plagiarism/unfair practice and how to avoid plagiarism and unfair practice?





Introduction

This presentation will explore all factors of unfair practice and plagiarism. It will explore,

- What is Plagiarism?
- Forms of Plagiarism
- Self Plagiarism
- Deliberate Plagiarism
- How to avoid plagiarism
- Unfair practice



What is plagiarism?

THE UNIVERSITY OF LONDON (2023) SUGGEST THAT, 'PLAGIARISM IS A FORM OF CHEATING AND IS AN ACADEMIC OFFENSE'.



Research by Helgesson & Eriksson (2014)

- ▶ Plagiarism is a 'major problem' in academia
- ▶ Large portions of plagiarism are detected each year which are 'below the accepted standards' and form part of academic misconduct.
- ▶ Helgesson and Eriksson (2014) explain plagiarism as complex with multiple definitions being used such as:
 - ▶ 'stealing someone else's work and lying about it'
 - ▶ 'copying all or some of someone else's published work and passing it off as your own without giving proper credit'.

(Helgesson & Eriksson, 2014.p.2)

Pears & Sheilds (2022, p. 6) suggest most cases students plagiarise unintentionally.

‘Poor organisation skills and time management as well as failure to attended the excepted academic practices of their collage or university are often to blame’.



The university of oxford(2023) suggests that plagiarism is a serious matter in examinations.



- ▶ 'Cases will be investigated, and penalties may range'.
- ▶ 'From deduction of marks to expulsion from university'.
- ▶ If a piece of work is suspected of plagiarism the matter will then be referred to the Proctors.
- ▶ It will then be fully investigated by the Proctors and they will then call the student concerned in for an interview.
- ▶ If there is found to be a breach of regulations the proctors will refer the case to the student disciplinary panel.

(The university of oxford, 2023)



Forms of plagiarism

According to Cottrell (2019. p.247)

- 'Using other people's ideas or theories'.
- 'Paraphrasing what you read or hear without stating where it comes from'.
- 'Using words more or less exactly as they have been used in an article, lecture, television programme, books or anywhere else'.



Self-Plagiarism

‘ self-plagiarism is any attempt to take any of your own previously published text, paper or research and make it appear new’ (Mudrak, 2016).

Accorrding to Roig (2015) ‘the notion of self-plagiarism does not seem to make much sense’



Deliberate plagiarism

- ‘Presenting any part of someone else’s work as your own’.
- ‘Collusion’
- ‘Recycling’
- ‘Citing and referencing sources have not been used’

Types of unfair means



Essay buying

Collusion

Fabrication

(The university of Sheffield, 2023)



How to avoid plagiarism

‘Write all your notes in your own words’.

‘Note down exactly where you read the information you put down’.

‘At the end of all your work, write a full list of references’.

‘In your assessments, cite the sources of ideas and information. Do this even when not using a quotation, and make it clear ***what is*** and ***what is not*** a direct quotation’.



Conclusion



To conclude plagiarism is serious offence in academia and is punishable by the college or university a student is studying at. It is important to make sure you cite and reference all your work.

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