

Electronical plagiarism detection system

Teachers can use Turnitin to check work submitted by students. The program assesses direct quotations, text origins and plagiarism in the original work, and the teacher can use the program to provide feedback.

The program compares students' work to its database and online data. If the system detects similarities, this will be marked on its report. The report clearly indicates what parts have been borrowed from elsewhere, and their source. See the Reporting section for further information.

Turnitin assignments can ONLY be submitted through Moodle course groups. The teacher creates a Turnitin field in the Moodle group, through which students submit file(s)/text.

Plagiarism detection process

1. A teacher creates a Turnitin assignment in a Moodle course.
2. Submission instruction for a student.
 - a. You can upload files and texts through the Turnitin assignment by selecting the "My Submissions" tab.
 - b. In the Submission Type dropdown menu, select File Upload or Text Submission.
 - c. Enter your text directly into the text field. Enter a title for your text.
 - d. You can select the part you are submitting, if this option is available. The first part is selected by default. If you have already submitted earlier parts, you must manually select the current number.
 - e. Before uploading your work into the system, you must accept having it saved in the plagiarism detection system and that its contents will be compared to other materials in the system. If you do not accept this, you cannot submit your work.
 - f. When you submit a file, select "File Upload" from the Submission Type dropdown menu. Enter a submission title and select the part you are submitting. Always use the first possible part number, starting from 1.
 - g. After you have submitted your work, you will receive a digital email receipt.
3. Turnitin creates Turnitin report.
4. The teacher sends the originality report and comments for the student.
5. The teacher analyses Turnitin report.
6. The teacher decides if the thesis is written according to good academic practice and is acceptable.
7. If the thesis is acceptable, the student receives feedback from acceptance.
 - a. Main supervisor of bachelor thesis continues to evaluation of thesis.
 - b. Master's thesis, licentiate thesis and doctoral dissertations are sent to evaluation according to faculty instructions.
 - c. Evaluation reports of bachelor and master's thesis have to be sent to the director of studies of forest sciences (jukka.malinen@uef.fi) by the student.
8. If the thesis is not acceptable, the supervisor decides the severity of the problems.
 - a. Minor:
 - i. The supervisor gives feedback for improvements.
 - ii. The student rewrites the thesis according to feedback.
 - iii. The student re-submits the thesis.
 - b. Severe:
 - i. The supervisor starts the process for misbehaviour against good academic practice. The student receives the decision and the process ends.

Instructions for the electronical plagiarism process: <https://www.uef.fi/en/web/guest/studies/electronic-plagiarism-detection-tool>

Student, you are able to test Turnitin in Moodle course: <https://moodle.uef.fi/course/view.php?id=5502>

