Using Turnitin A Guide for Students

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Turnitin is a cloud-based technology that helps students improve their writing and enhances academic integrity.

Turnitin is integrated with Canvas and uses the same upload process for assignments that require you to submit a file upload. Turnitin scans your uploaded assignments in Canvas, looking for matching text against billions of web pages, current and archived Internet content, periodicals, journals and scholarly publications, and any student work previously submitted to Turnitin.

Submit an Assignment

- > Navigate to your course in Canvas. From the Assignments tab, open your assignment.
- > Use the **Submit Assignment** button to get started.



> Use the **Choose file** button to find the file you'd like to upload.

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Comments.		
Cancel	Submit assignment	

- If you haven't already, you may need to accept the Turnitin EULA and verify that your submission is your own work.
- > When you're done, select the **Submit assignment** button to upload to Turnitin.

Note: When scanning your document for plagiarism, Turnitin will exclude bibliographies, citations, and the following quotation marks:

o "…" << …>> "…" […]

> Turnitin will not disregard matches that use '...'

Access Your Similarity Report

- From the side of any page within Canvas, select the Courses tab. Then select the course in which your assignment is located.
- From the left-hand navigation, select Assignments and choose the relevant assignment.

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> To the right-hand side of your assignment, hit Submission details.

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To view your Similarity Report in Turnitin, select the similarity percentage. In the example blow, this is a red 100%.

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Interpreting the Similarity Report

> The similarity score is based on the amount of matching text and is color coded:

Color	% Matching Text	
Light Blue	0 % matching text	
Dark Blue	1 - 24% matching text	
Yellow	25 - 49% matching text	
Orange	50 - 74% matching text	
Red	75 -100 % matching text	

- A high similarity score does not always suggest that a piece of writing has been plagiarized, just as a low similarity score does not always indicate that no plagiarism has occurred.
 - You may have submitted multiple drafts of the same paper to Jefferson's repository, meaning your final draft has resulted in a score of 100%.

Getting Help

- Turnitin Student Quick Start Guide
- Turnitin Student Help Website