

SHRP AAC Memorandum

Date: 4/20/2006

To: SHRP Faculty

From: Jonathan B. Waugh, PhD



RE: Final Plagiarism Policy

The AAC has incorporated the feedback from the SHRP faculty on the school's plagiarism policy and the final draft has been approved by the Dean (following page). This policy will be in effect for Summer semester 2006. Please update your course syllabi to contain the necessary statement on plagiarism and plagiarism monitoring. Departments/programs will need to incorporate information on plagiarism in new student orientations. We would like to compile additional syllabi statements for examples if you would be willing to share them with us (please send to Lee Test). Please keep in mind that we, the faculty, will have to learn how to properly use the information provided by the Turnitin.com reports. I encourage you to share your insights with the AAC as you develop your methods and criteria. Thank you helping us develop this policy.

Attachments

SHRP Policy on Plagiarism

Background

Plagiarism is a form of academic fraud consisting of taking original words or ideas from another source and claiming them as one's original work. Students must understand what constitutes plagiarism and the ways in which their assignments are evaluated for plagiarism.

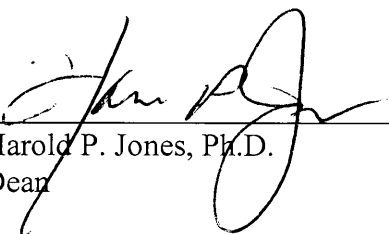
Policies

1. Syllabi for all SHRP courses that use VISTA should contain a statement that assignments (including papers, exams, online discussions, etc) may be reviewed using Turnitin.com or other monitoring tools. The following is an example of a statement:

"Plagiarism is academic misconduct, that may result in dismissal from the School of Health Related Professions, and the University (see DIRECTION or SHRP Grievance Procedures for Violations of Academic Standards). Plagiarism results in a grade of zero on the plagiarized assignment and may result in disciplinary action. All papers submitted for this course may be reviewed using the online plagiarism monitoring software, Turnitin.com."

2. Student manuals should state that any written assignments may be reviewed by plagiarism monitoring software or other methods to detect plagiarism.
3. SHRP new student orientation and program orientations should include a discussion of plagiarism and a warning that assignments may be automatically checked for plagiarism.
4. Students should be informed in writing that assignments screened by Turnitin.com will be included in a database that is used to screen future assignments for plagiarism. Students should understand that any papers/materials that they re-submit in future classes will be labeled as plagiarism.

Effective Date: Summer, 2006



Harold P. Jones, Ph.D.
Dean



Date