

# PRE-PH.D. COURSE WORK PAPER-1: RESEARCH METHODOLOGIES UNIT-1 TOPIC: ACADEMIC PLAGIARISM

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## Plagiarism

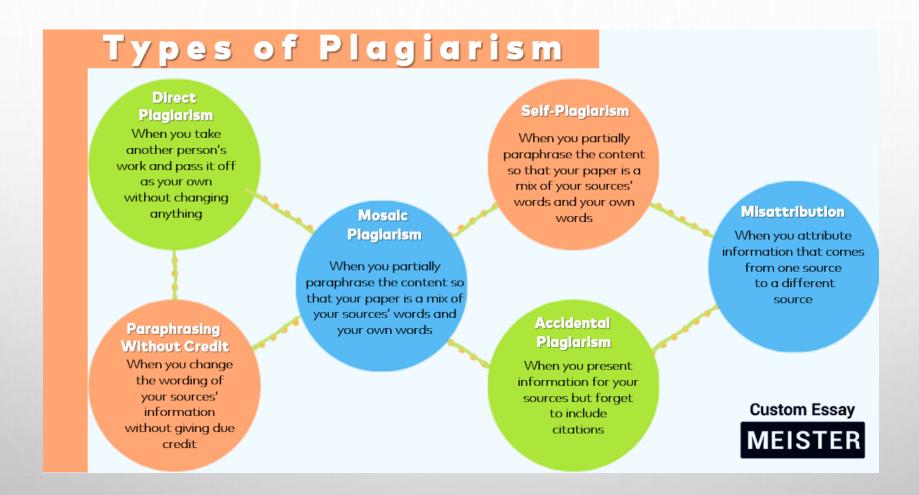
According to the Merriam-Webster online dictionary, to "plagiarize" means:

- ❖To steal and pass off (the ideas or words of another) as one's own
- ❖ To use (another's production) without crediting the source
- **❖**To commit literary theft
- To present as new and original an idea or product derived from an existing source.

In other words, plagiarism is an act of fraud. It involves both stealing someone else's work and lying about it afterward.

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## Types of plagiarism



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## Example

#### **Original source**:

No oil spill is entirely benign. Depending on timing and location, even a relatively minor spill can cause significant harm to individual organisms and entire populations. Oil spills can cause impacts over a range of time scales, from days to years, or even decades for certain spills. Impacts are typically divided into acute (short-term) and chronic (long-term) effects. Both types are part of a complicated and often controversial equation that is addressed after an oil spill: ecosystem recovery.

(2010). Impact of oil spills. Congressional digest, 89(6):167-192

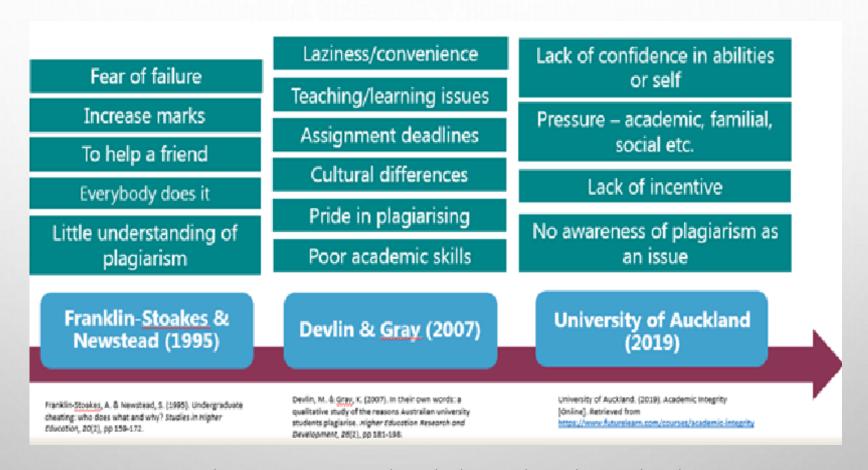
#### **Plagiarized source:**

There is no such thing as a "good" oil spill. If the time and place are just right, even a small oil spill can cause damage to sensitive ecosystems. Further, spills can cause harm days, months, years, or even decades after they occur. Because of this, spills are usually broken into short-term (acute) and long-term (chronic) effects. Both of these types of harm must be addressed in ecosystem recovery: a controversial tactic that is often implemented immediately following an oil spill.

Notice that the plagiarizing author changed the wording, but the concepts are exactly the same as in the original text.

Source: https://www.utc.edu/library/help/tutorials/plagiarism/examples-of-plagiarism.php

## What is the cause of plagiarism?



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## Penalties associated with plagiarism

#### **INSTITUTING INTEGRITY**

UGC regulations for promotion of academic integrity and prevention of plagiarism in higher educational institutions

#### LEVELS OF PLAGIARISM & PENALTIES

Level 0 | Similarities up to 10% - Minor similarities, no penalty

Level 1 | Similarities above 10% to 40% - Will be asked to submit revised script within a stipulated time period not exceeding 6 months

Level 2 | Similarities above 40% to 60% - Students shall be debarred from submitting a revised script for a period of one year

Level 3 | Similarities above 60% -Registration for that programme shall be cancelled

#### PENALTY IN CASE WHERE THE DEGREE/ CREDIT HAS ALREADY BEEN OBTAINED

Level 1 | Similarities above 10% to 40% - Shall be asked to withdraw manuscript

to 60% - Has to withdraw
manuscript, denied right to
one annual increment, not to
be allowed to be a supervisor
to any new scholar for
period of two years

Level 3 | Similarities above 60% - Has to withdraw manuscript, denied right to

two successive annual increments, not to be allowed to be a supervisor to any new scholar for period of three years

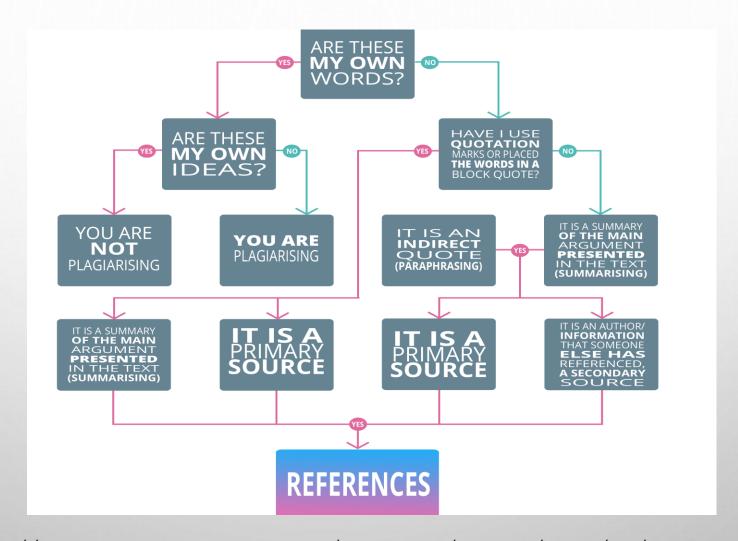
If there is any complaint of plagiarism against the Head of an HEI, a suitable action, in line with these regulations, shall be taken by the controlling authority of the HEI

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Plagiarism by PhD student		Plagiarism by faculty	
Up to 10%	No penalty	Up to 10%	No penalty
10-40%	Revision of script within 6 months	10-40%	Has to withdraw manuscript
40-60%	Can't submit revised script for 1 year	40-60%	No supervision power for 2 years
Over 60%	Cancellation of registration	Over 60%	No supervision power for 3 years

Source: https://s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/cms-abp-prodmedia/library/THE\_TELEGRAPH/mig/ media/images/2018/08/04/na1.jpg

#### How to avoid plagiarism?



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