

University of Patanjali

Office of the Registrar

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July 19, 2018

NOTIFICATION

Sub. : Policy on Plagiarism

The University Policy on Plagiarism to be adopted henceforth is enclosed.

This comes into effect immediately.

By Order



Pro Vice-Chancellor and Registrar incharge

To,

1. Dean, Academic and Administrative Affairs
2. Professor, Philosophy
3. Professor, Yoga
4. Director, Placement cum Academic Administrator
5. Finance
6. Library
7. Hostel Warden Girls Hostel & Boys Hostel

Submitted to,

1. The Chancellor
2. The Vice Chancellor

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Policy on Plagiarism

The University of Patanjali (UoP) promotes research and innovation in its campus while maintaining the highest level of integrity. Focus is given on maintaining the quality of work while prohibiting any illegal activities. Plagiarism by definition means “the practice of taking someone else’s work or ideas and passing them off as one’s own”. It involves the illegal use of phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs, or longer extracts from published or unpublished content without acknowledging the source. In addition, instances of self-plagiarism or copyright infringement is also discouraged. The UoP has adopted a strict policy on plagiarism and laid down rules and regulations to deal curb the menace of plagiarism in academics and research.

1. Vision

To curb and end plagiarism in academics and research by avoiding any act of plagiarism knowingly or unknowingly.

2. Mission


- a. To increase awareness among researchers about plagiarism and its various forms.
- b. To strictly promote the spirit of ethical writing among researchers.
- c. To create awareness among researchers, faculty, students and staff about the responsible conduct of academic and research activities, such as doctoral thesis, graduate/post-graduate dissertation.
- d. To establish an institutional mechanism for education and training in research ethics.
- e. To promote academic integrity and deter plagiarism through a systematic mechanism for prevention of plagiarism and punishment to defaulters, including students, researchers, faculty, and staff.


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3. Definition

- “Academic integrity” refers to the intellectual honesty in proposing, performing and reporting any activity that leads to the creation of intellectual property.
- “Author” includes a student, researcher, faculty or staff who claims to be the creator of the work under consideration.
- “Commission” means the University Grants Commission as defined in the University Grants Commission Act, 1956.
- “Degree” refers to any degree specified by the University Grants Commission, by notification in the Official Gazette, under section 22 of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956.
- “Departmental Academic Integrity Panel” shall mean the body constituted at the departmental level to investigate allegations of plagiarism.
- “Faculty” refers to a person who is teaching and/or guiding students enrolled in the UoP in any capacity whatsoever, i.e., regular, ad-hoc, guest, temporary visiting, etc.
- “Notification” refers a notification published in the Official Gazette and the expression “notify” with its cognate meanings and grammatical variation shall be considered accordingly.
- “Plagiarism” refers to the practice of taking someone else’s work or idea and passing them as one’s own.
- “Programme” refers to a programme of study leading to the award of a masters and research level degree.
- “Researcher” refers to a person conducting academic/scientific research in the UoP.
- “Script” includes research paper, thesis, dissertation, book chapters, complete books and any other similar work, submitted for assessment/opinion leading to the award of master and research level degrees or publication in print or electronic media by students or faculty or


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researcher or staff of the UoP. However, this shall exclude assignments, term papers, project reports, course work, essays and answer scripts.

- “Source” refers to the published primary and secondary material from any source whatsoever, including written information and opinions gained directly from other people, such as eminent scholars, public figures and practitioners in any form, such as text, image, audio, video, as defined under Section 2(1)(v) of the Information Technology Act, 2000.

4. Rules, Regulations and Guidelines

- a. Cited references, quotes or data are not treated as copying.
- b. The writer must acknowledge the contributions of others and source of their ideas.
- c. The author must enclose any text taken from another author in quotation marks.
- d. The author must acknowledge every source even when paraphrasing or condensing a material.
- e. The author must always provide a citation when in doubt about a concept or fact.
- f. The author must always cross-check his/her material through the anti-plagiarism software to prevent unintentional plagiarism.
- g. The researcher must submit a plagiarism report along with the research thesis, dissertation or other material, along with a self-declaration stating that the project is his/her original work.
- h. The similarity checks for plagiarism shall exclude the following:
 - i. All quoted work reproduced with all necessary permissions and/or attribution.
 - ii. All references, bibliography, table of contents, preface and acknowledgments.
 - iii. All generic terms, laws, standard symbols and standard equations.

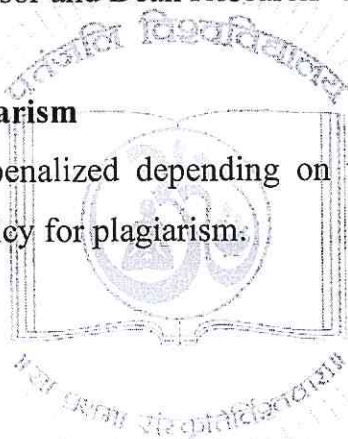

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- i. All scholarly work, including thesis and dissertation, found to be having more than 30% content from other sources would be treated as plagiarized, and shall be liable for disciplinary action.
- j. The primary source of the information must be cited by the author even when using a secondary source.
- k. Authorship must depend on the contributions made to the project. Faculty/researcher/student must exercise caution while awarding authorship.
- l. Ghost authorship is ethically unacceptable and must be discouraged.
- m. Thesis, dissertation and or research papers will be checked for plagiarism at the level of Supervisor and Dean Research/ Registrar.

5. Penalties in case of plagiarism

The defaulters shall be penalized depending on the severity of the plagiarism according to the UGC policy for plagiarism.




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