



Plagiarism Policy



GOVERNMENT COLLEGE NEDUMANGAD

**UNDER GOVERNMENT OF KERALA
NEDUMANGAD, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, KERALA- 695541
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PLAGIARISM POLICY

Govt. College Nedumangad is envisaging towards promotion of research with quality output in both arts and science stream and negate plagiarism and unethical research. The institution being affiliated to University of Kerala follows the plagiarism policy adopted by University of Kerala and UGC. The links towards our plagiarism policy adopted are provided below.

https://www.keralauniversity.ac.in/pdfs/news/UO_Anti_Plagiarism_Adopted1501237768.pdf

https://www.keralauniversity.ac.in/pdfs/news/Anti_Plagiarism_Policy_Doc1501237891.pdf

https://www.ugc.ac.in/pdfnews/8864815_UGC-Public-Notice-on-Draft-UGC-Regulations2017.pdf

This college strives to maintain academic honesty and integrity at the same time→ maintaining academic standard. As per the University policy, the responsibility relating to ensure anti- plagiarism lies→ with the respective guide/supervisor. URKUND an automated tool is used to detecting plagiarism of research work of faculty→ and students of University of Kerala and its affiliated colleges. The research committee of the college monitors all the research related ethics and→ practices.

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(Abstract)

Policy document on Anti-plagiarism- adopted- from 2017 July session of M.Phil/Ph.D -approved - orders issued

ACADEMIC A.II SECTION

No.Ac.A.II/14/ 2017

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram 01.07.2017

References

- 1 Report of 'Statistical Study on observed range of similarity of content with other sources, in PhD thesis accepted by University of Kerala and to prepare a limit for Plagiarism'- Prepared & Submitted by the Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology.
- 2 Item No. 25 of the Standing Committee of the Academic Council held on 20/3/2017
- 3 Item No.72 of the Minutes of the Meeting of the Academic Council held on 15/04/2017

ORDER

Vide paper read as (1) above, Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology prepared and submitted the policy document on Anti-Plagiarism based on '*Statistical Study on the observed range of similarity of content with other sources, in PhD thesis accepted by University of Kerala and propose a limit for Plagiarism*'. The Standing Committee of the Academic Council vide paper (2) above considered the item and recommended that the draft policy document, applicable to P.G, M.Phil and Ph.D, be approved with minor modifications and placed before the Academic Council for decision.

The Academic Council, at its meeting held on 15/04/2017, approved the draft policy document on Anti-Plagiarism , excluding the P.G courses from the purview of the Policy.

Sanction has been accorded by the Vice Chancellor to adopt the policy document as modified and approved by the Academic Council and implement with effect from July 2017 session of M.Phil/Ph.D. [The Anti-Plagiarism Policy document is appended.].

Orders are issued accordingly.

Sd/-
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For REGISTRAR

1. P.S to Vice Chancellor/Pro Vice Chancellor
2. PA to Registrar /Controller of Examinations
3. Members of the Standing Committee of the Academic Council.
4. Chairpersons, All Boards of Studies
4. All Academic Sections
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Section Officer

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POLICY STATEMENT ON ANTI-PLAGIARISM

The University of Kerala declares through this policy statement that academic dishonesty of any manner is unacceptable and that the University would continuously strive to create and maintain awareness about it and any such unfair practice detected would be subjected to serious consequences.

Towards this, the University of Kerala shall

- Provide a framework for the development of a research culture, making it unacceptable to use content (textual or other forms) not owned by the author, without citing sources / with or without paraphrasing or adoption;
- Promote research activities, in such a way as to improve the quality of work and sustainability, without plagiarism.
- Contribute towards preventing unfair practice of collecting primary data without actually carrying out surveys / experiments;
- Prevent any form of dishonest, misleading, fraudulent, inauthentic and inappropriate academic reporting; and
- Develop an academic ethos that generates original thinking and promotes innovation, free of any academic dishonesty.

The following guidelines are framed for implementing the Anti-Plagiarism policy of the University which shall be made applicable to the dissertations/theses submitted to the University for Award of MPhil/PhD degree respectively.

1. The University of Kerala shall not tolerate plagiarism in any manner and for this purpose; accepted limit shall be zero per cent.
2. The project/research supervisor and HoD shall be responsible for creating awareness among the candidates falling under the purview of these policy guidelines on the consequences of plagiarism in the research reports submitted to the University.
3. Every University Department/ Approved Research centre shall arrange the conduct of awareness lectures on the consequences of plagiarism in the research reports submitted to the University at least once in a year and maintain attendance register of participants in the Department.
4. The Dept. Doctoral Committees shall be responsible for scrutiny of plagiarism in the dissertations/theses submitted to the University for Award of MPhil/PhD degree respectively
5. The students/researchers shall have to produce evidence of verification of “overlap with other sources” using UGC recommended URKUND software.
6. The overlap with other sources shall not exceed 10 per cent in the report, submitted for evaluation, exclusive of references.
7. Overlap of less than 10 per cent does not make the research report ‘plagiarism free’ and as such the research supervisor and DDC shall have to ensure in each

- case through scrutiny that the Anti-Plagiarism policy of the University to maintain the accepted limit of zero per cent is upheld.
8. The Chairperson on behalf of DDC shall furnish a certificate in the report, after through scrutiny, to the effect that the Anti-Plagiarism policy of the University to maintain the accepted limit of zero per cent is upheld.
 9. In respect of Research reports written in non-English Text, wherein URKUND software may not be employed for evaluation of overlaps, manual evaluation shall have to be relied on and approximate quantification shall have to be attempted by the research supervisor and DDC concerned.
 10. Plagiarism, if any, brought to the notice of the University by the examiner(s) / genuine source(s) before or after the award of Degree, shall be investigated in detail through a committee consisting of the respective Dean of the Faculty; Head of the Dept/Chairperson of the BoS; and two external experts at the level of Professors from outside the University, nominated by the Vice-Chancellor. Of the two external experts, at least one shall be from outside the State.
 11. The committee shall provide reasonable opportunities to the respective student/researcher and guide to be heard in person and shall seek their written statements before arriving at conclusions.
 12. The committee shall make specific recommendation on the issues of plagiarism referred to them by the University for Investigation.
 13. In case of negligible level of plagiarism, as recommended by the committee referred to clause 10 above, the candidate shall have to remit a fee as decided by the Syndicate from time to time and shall be directed to resubmit the dissertation/report, with appropriate modifications.
 14. In case of significant level of plagiarism, as recommended by the committee referred to clause 10 above, the matter shall be brought to the notice of the appropriate body for a decision inclusive of the withdrawal of degree/ diploma, if already awarded, in accordance with the provisions contained in the Acts and Statutes of the University of Kerala.

Sd/-
REGISTRAR