How Turnitin deals with resubmission of the same paper by the same student

Moodle Help & Support (Staff)
This refers to Moodle 3.8 from September 2020 onward.

Will it match?

Students often submit the same paper accidentally to another dropbox, or submit a draft paper to a drop-box and need it to be replaced with the final version.

Once a paper has been submitted to a normal dropbox then it is there in the database to match against future submissions. However it does not necessarily match against the students’ own future work - see table below.

**NOTE:** Submission to the test module TurnitinUK - test your text do NOT get added to the Turnitin database so do not count at all.

Will the paper in column 1 match with the paper in column 2 in Turnitin if the same student submits the exact same paper to:

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<tr>
<th>Moodle Module (Class)</th>
<th>Turnitin Assignment dropbox</th>
<th>Will Result in</th>
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<td>SAME MOODLE MODULE</td>
<td>SAME DROPBX</td>
<td>No matches against their previous submissions - each submission overwrites the previous one (UNLESS a member of staff submits one of them on the student's behalf, in which case it is treated as a separate submission and will be matched)</td>
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<td>Will match against themselves. Academic on second module will not be allowed to see paper even though same student.</td>
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<td>Many problems. Turnitin assignments must NOT be copied or imported across module</td>
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Paper release

If the originality report shows a match with a paper submitted to another University, or even to a module within this University that you don’t have access to, then you can request “paper release”. You will then get an email with the details of the matched paper. If it is within the University then the Moodle team will be able to check directly - get in touch.

Similar tutorials

The following other resources are also relevant to this topic:

- How to view submitted and received reviews in Peermark
- How to export grades and download assignments from Turnitin
- How to exclude University of Nottingham papers from a TurnItIn Originality Report
- How do I allow my students to see their Turnitin assignment grades and feedback?
- How to delete a single Turnitin submission to enable submission
- How Turnitin deals with resubmission of the same paper by the same student
- Giving feedback without needing a submission in Turnitin
- How to create your own Turnitin QuickMarks set and export/import QuickMarks
- How to mark offline in Turnitin using an iPad/iPhone
- Using Turnitin within Moodle Assignments
- How to view your grade and feedback in Turnitin
- How to create rubric assessment criteria in Turnitin
- How to create a Turnitin assignment drop box
• How to provide feedback and comments in Turnitin
• Turnitin (& Moodle) assignment submission checklist
• Turnitin
• How to mark a Turnitin assignment in Moodle
• How to re-use and share rubrics in Turnitin assignments
• How To setup PeerMark in Turnitin
• Turnitin file types and word processor compatibility