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Code of Ethics: Plagiarism

Tulsiramji Gaikwad-Patil College of Architecture, Nagpur has espoused the noble cause of education. There are certain ethics to be zealously adhered to in the life by a human being. Similarly, an educational institution must adhere to code of ethics. Unfortunately plagiarism is a pervasive act today in the field of education. It is a sin in the field of education. In the field of education plagiarism may be intentional or unintentional. Whether plagiarism is intentional or unintentional it must be prohibited.

Plagiarism is just like impersonation. When the thoughts, inventions, ideas etc. of another person are passed off as own by somebody in written or verbal form is called plagiarism. Tulsiramji Gaikwad-Patil College of Architecture is aware that ethics and honesty are two important components of academic activities which include teaching and research. There should be no room for claiming the credit of the work if one has not done himself/herself. The college has, therefore has formulated. A code of ethics as regards plagiarism.

1. Definition of plagiarism

Plagiarism is presentation of the work done by somebody else as one's own work. It includes copying or reproducing the presentation of somebody else without any acknowledgement. It involves copying of paragraphs, extracts, pages etc. from published or unpublished work done by somebody else. It also includes the matter reproduced from the internet and Google.


2. Objective

This code of conduct is prescribed

- To create awareness amongst the teachers and the students of the college regarding immorality associated with plagiarism.
- To prevent plagiarism in projects, assignments, dissertation and any other type of work to be done by students and teachers.
- To frame a mechanism through the counseling and indoctrination to facilitate responsible conduct of research, projects, thesis, dissertation.
- To develop a system to detect plagiarism and punish the teacher and student concern for the offence of plagiarism.

3. Parameters of Plagiarism and Detection of Plagiarism

The detection of Plagiarism is very important. It is the responsibility of the head of the institution to ensure that no student or teacher should plagiarize in their projects, thesis, dissertation,


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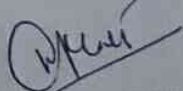
research etc. The detection of plagiarism is to be done by a person who is well versed with the subject and who knows what is to be done and what is not to be done in the process of any type of research. It should be ensured that the research is carried out under the guidance of a qualified supervisor. The researcher must produce the actual result obtain by him/her. The researcher must acknowledge the source of his information and also acknowledge the theories previously developed. He/she must mention the name of the earlier researcher. He/she should work himself/herself. There is no room for fabrication. The result obtained by somebody else must not be claimed as his/her own result. Similarly, misleading information as regards one's contribution to the research should be avoided. The researchers shall never report his/her own results in different forms in different journals just for the sake of increasing number of publications.

Tulsiramji Gaikwad-Patil College of Architecture, Nagpur is committed to deal with alleged plagiarism in accordance with the principals of procedures fairness. The person against whom allegations of plagiarism are leveled should be given an opportunity and reasonable time of being heard. The matter is expected to be resolved within stipulated period. The person who is entrusted with the task of detecting plagiarism must perform the task sans partiality and bias. He after the investigation must submit his report to the competent authority. The competent authority will consider the matter and recommend accordingly to the Statutory Authority.

The plagiarism is classified as under:-

- a. Similarities above 10 to 30%.
- b. Similarities above 30 to 75%.
- c. Similarities above 75%.

The college has formed a committee of 3 experts which decides the class of plagiarism. The committee uses the best possible software to detect the plagiarism and depending upon the severity of the offence shall recommend to the competent authority (a) fine and warning (b) rustication for a limited period (c) permanent rustication (d) withdrawal of degree.


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