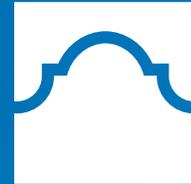


# Keep Teaching

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## Webinar Objectives

By the end of this webinar, you will be able to:

- Define plagiarism and Alamo Colleges Academic Integrity policies related to it.
- Apply plagiarism reduction strategies to your remote written assessments.
- Identify the key features of the **Turnitin** tool.
- Access **Turnitin** and select settings that meet your assessment needs.
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## Defining Plagiarism

**Plagiarism:** the unauthorized or undocumented use or close imitation of the language and thoughts of another author and the representation of them as one's own original work

--from the [Alamo Colleges Student Code of Conduct](#)

Common forms of plagiarism include:

- **Direct Plagiarism**
- **Self Plagiarism**
- **Mosaic Plagiarism (Patch Plagiarism)**
- **Accidental Plagiarism**

--from [Bowdoin.edu](#)



## Why do students plagiarize?

*Are students today inherently less ethical than previous generations?*

**No.** But they do live in a different context:

- Culture of high-stakes testing and external rewards (grades, awards, college admission) over internal rewards (learning, improvement).
- Lack of information literacy, paired with boundless internet sources
- Stressed, overworked students cutting corners when they don't understand or don't have time



# Designing Plagiarism-Resistant Assignments

*What are some strategies you have used to reduce plagiarism on written assignments?*

## Effective Strategies:

- Have students relate topics to current events or personal experiences
- Require students to use one or more class-specific texts or resources.
- Consider peer-review or writing to an “authentic audience” like an editorial, their state representative, Wikipedia, etc.
- Provide students with resources on proper citation and information literacy.
- Evaluate the time given to students, the instructions, and weight of the assignment.



# Turnitin – Your plagiarism checker!

Turnitin is an originality checking and plagiarism prevention service that checks student writing for citation mistakes or inappropriate copying. When a student submits a paper, Turnitin compares it to text in its massive database of student work, websites, books, articles, etc.

-- from [American Public University System](#)

## Key Features:

- Large database of student work
- Combs internet for similarities as well
- Multiple filters for analysis
- Feedback Studio (if using external app)
- Syncs with the Canvas Gradebook for seamless integration!



## Option 1: Built-in Turnitin

Turnitin is already built into your Canvas course through the Assignments tool.

All you need to do is activate it!



## Option 1: Built-in Turnitin

### Pros

- Simplest option. It's already there!
- You can still grade in the SpeedGrader (especially if you have Rubrics built)
- Students do not have to leave Canvas (reducing obstacles to instructor feedback)

### Cons

- Do not have access to the full features of Turnitin, namely the full Feedback Studio.



## Option 2: Turnitin External App

The other option is to activate the External App in your submission options.

**Good news.** It's already loaded into your course.

However, it does require a bit more set up.

That said, you get the full Turnitin toolkit.



# Option 2: Turnitin External App

## The Student View

### Option 1: Upload Submission

Submit File ×

Upload   Review   Complete

**Upload Submission**   Text Input   Cloud Submission ▾

Drag and drop or select a file from your device.

Submission Title

Submission File  Assignment 1 - AGates.docx  
Supported file types:  
Any file type

**Upload and Review**

### Option 2: Text Input Submission

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Enter or paste the text of your submission into the box below.

Submission Title

Submission Text

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### Option 3: Cloud Submission

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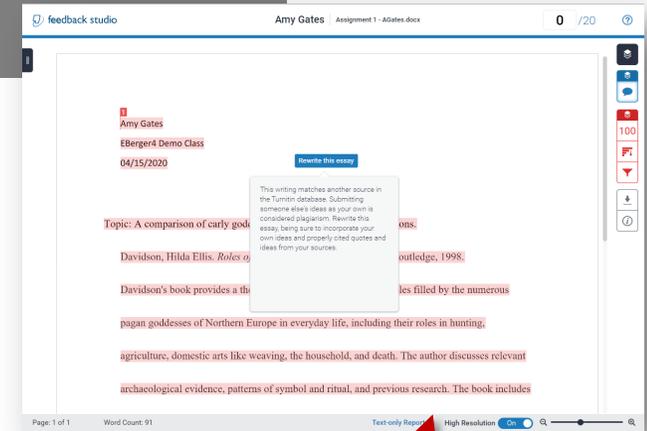
Upload and Review



# Option 2: Turnitin External App

## The Student View

Student Similarity Score and Feedback



Assignment Dashboard Summary

Lesson 1 Assignment (External App) ⓘ

Paper Title	Uploaded	Grade	%
Assignment 1 - AGates.docx	29 Apr 2020 09:53 CDT	--	100%

View Similarity matches in Feedback Studio (opens in a new window)

Student Resubmit Option

Assignment Dashboard Summary

Lesson 1 Assignment (External App) ⓘ

Paper Title	Uploaded	Grade	%
Assignment 1 - AGates.docx	29 Apr 2020 09:53 CDT	--	100%

Resubmit paper



## Option 2: Turnitin External App

### Pros

- Full access to the Feedback Studio:
  - Quick Mark Comments Sets
  - Option to attach a rubric
  - Provide written comments
- Still syncs seamlessly with the Gradebook

### Cons

- Must set up assignments twice (in Canvas and in Turnitin).
- Students have to leave Canvas to submit and view feedback.



# What to do when you detect plagiarism

The Alamo Colleges defines plagiarism as an Academic Integrity Violation and [policy](#) states that the instructor needs to follow these steps to initiate an **Academic Integrity Case**:

1. Contact the student within 5 business days of violation to request a meeting. You should also contact your chair.
2. At the meeting, provide the student with a copy of the procedure and policies and allow the student to explain the incident. Your chair needs to be at the meeting.
3. After the meeting, the decide whether to:  
**1. Dismiss the charge of a violation. 2. Issue a written warning to the student. 3. Reduce the grade on the assignment or test. 4. Reduce the final grade for the class.**
4. If the charge is dismissed, inform the Chief Academic Affairs Officer. If 2 – 4 above, complete the Academic Integrity Report Form.



*How might you use **Turnitin**? Which option would work best for your class?*

*What other plagiarism prevention strategies might you try?*



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## Alamo Screen Steps Guides

<https://alamocolleges.screenstepslive.com/s/19065/m/78001>

## Turnitin Resources

<https://www.turnitin.com/resources>



# Questions?



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# Thank You!



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