

# PLAGIARISM: WHAT IT IS & HOW TO AVOID IT

▶▶ **Plagiarism is academic theft. Listed below are several examples of plagiarism:**

- ▶▶ Turning in some else's work as your own
- ▶▶ Copying words or ideas from someone else without giving credit
- ▶▶ Failing to put word-for-word copying in quotation marks
- ▶▶ Giving incorrect information about the source of a quotation or not documenting it at all
- ▶▶ Changing words but copying the sentence structure of a source
- ▶▶ Copying so many words or ideas from a source that it makes up the majority of your work, whether you give credit or not
- ▶▶ Submitting the same paper to two different classes (Self Plagiarism)
- ▶▶ Turning in AI generated or AI revised work as your own

▶▶ **How to avoid plagiarism:**

Quoting:	Paraphrasing:	Resources:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶▶ Using the <b>exact words, copied straight from a source</b>; Must use quotation marks &amp; a signal phrase (according to...)</li> <li>▶▶ Must use an in-text citation &amp; list the source on the works cited or references page</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶▶ Put someone else's ideas into your own words using your own sentence structure; use a signal phrase (according to...)</li> <li>▶▶ Must use an in-text citation &amp; list the source on the works cited or references page</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶▶ SPC Library</li> <li>▶▶ SPC Writing Center Tutors</li> <li>▶▶ Owl at Purdue Website</li> </ul>

▶▶ **Citation Styles Commonly Used With Each Discipline:**

- ▶▶ MLA is commonly used in composition & literature classes.
- ▶▶ APA is commonly used in psychology & education.
- ▶▶ Chicago A is commonly used in history.
- ▶▶ Chicago B is commonly used in the sciences.
- ▶▶ **Always ask your professor which style to use!**