



# Plagiarism

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# Workshop Agenda

- Understanding Plagiarism
- Reasons of Plagiarism
- HEC policy for Plagiarism
- Preventive Measures
- Turnitin.com
- Question Answer Session



# Plagiarism

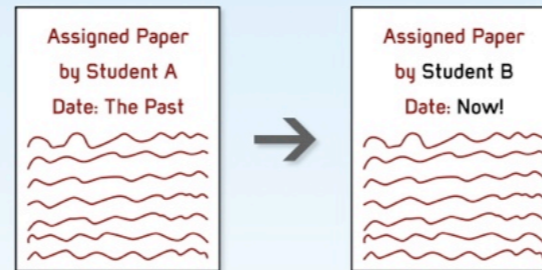
“Plagiarism is taking credit for someone else’s words or ideas....(Greenlaw, 2006, p. 77)

....submitting written work for credit more than once

# UNDERSTANDING PLAGIARISM

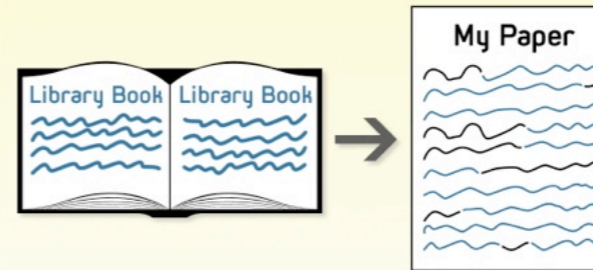
By Eugene Fischer and Fred T Wood

## 1. Turning in someone else's work:



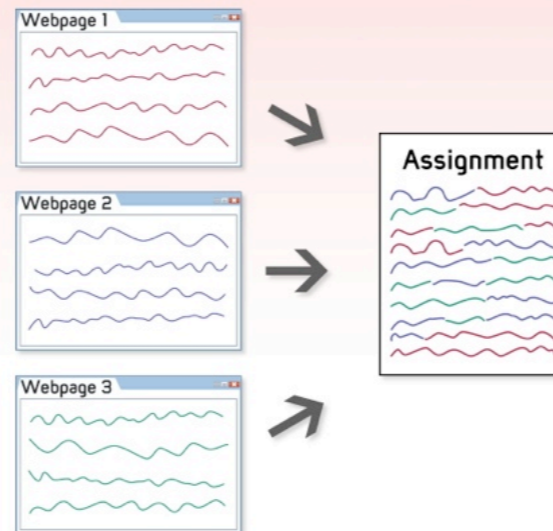
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## 2. Paraphrasing a source:



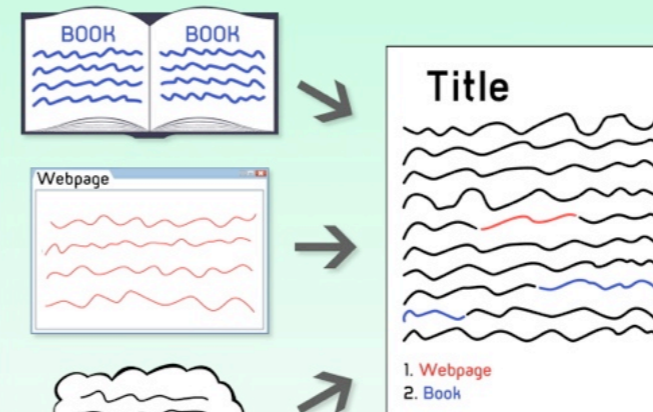
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## 3. Making a mashup of several sources:



This is **plagiarism**.

## 4. Writing your own thoughts, informed by cited sources:



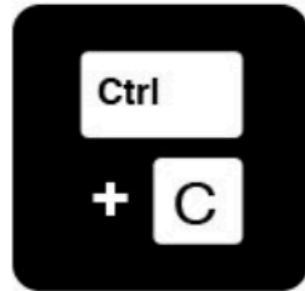
This is **not** plagiarism!

Rock on!



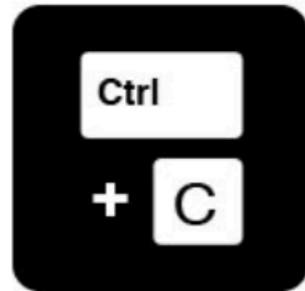


# Types of Plagiarism



## #1. CLONE

Submitting another's work, word-for-word, as one's own



## #2. CTRL-C

Contains significant portions of text from a single source without alterations



## #3. FIND - REPLACE

Changing key words and phrases but retaining the essential content of the source



## #4. REMIX

Paraphrases from multiple sources, made to fit together



## #5. RECYCLE

Borrows generously from the writer's previous work without citation



# Types of Plagiarism



## #6. HYBRID

Combines perfectly cited sources with copied passages without citation



## #7. MASHUP

Mixes copied material from multiple sources



## #8. 404 ERROR

Includes citations to non-existent or inaccurate information about sources



## #9. AGGREGATOR

Includes proper citation to sources but the paper contains almost no original work



## #10. RE-TWEET

Includes proper citation, but relies too closely on the text's original wording and/or structure



# Types of Plagiarism

- Plagiarized words
- Plagiarized ideas
- Intentional Plagiarism
- Unintentional Plagiarism



# Types of Plagiarism

## Deliberate Plagiarism

- Rewriting from books or articles
- copying & pasting from web pages and online sources to create a **patchwork** writing
- buying, downloading, or borrowing a paper



## Accidental Plagiarism

- not knowing when & how to cite
- not knowing how to paraphrase or summarize
- not knowing what “common knowledge” is
- recycling an old paper



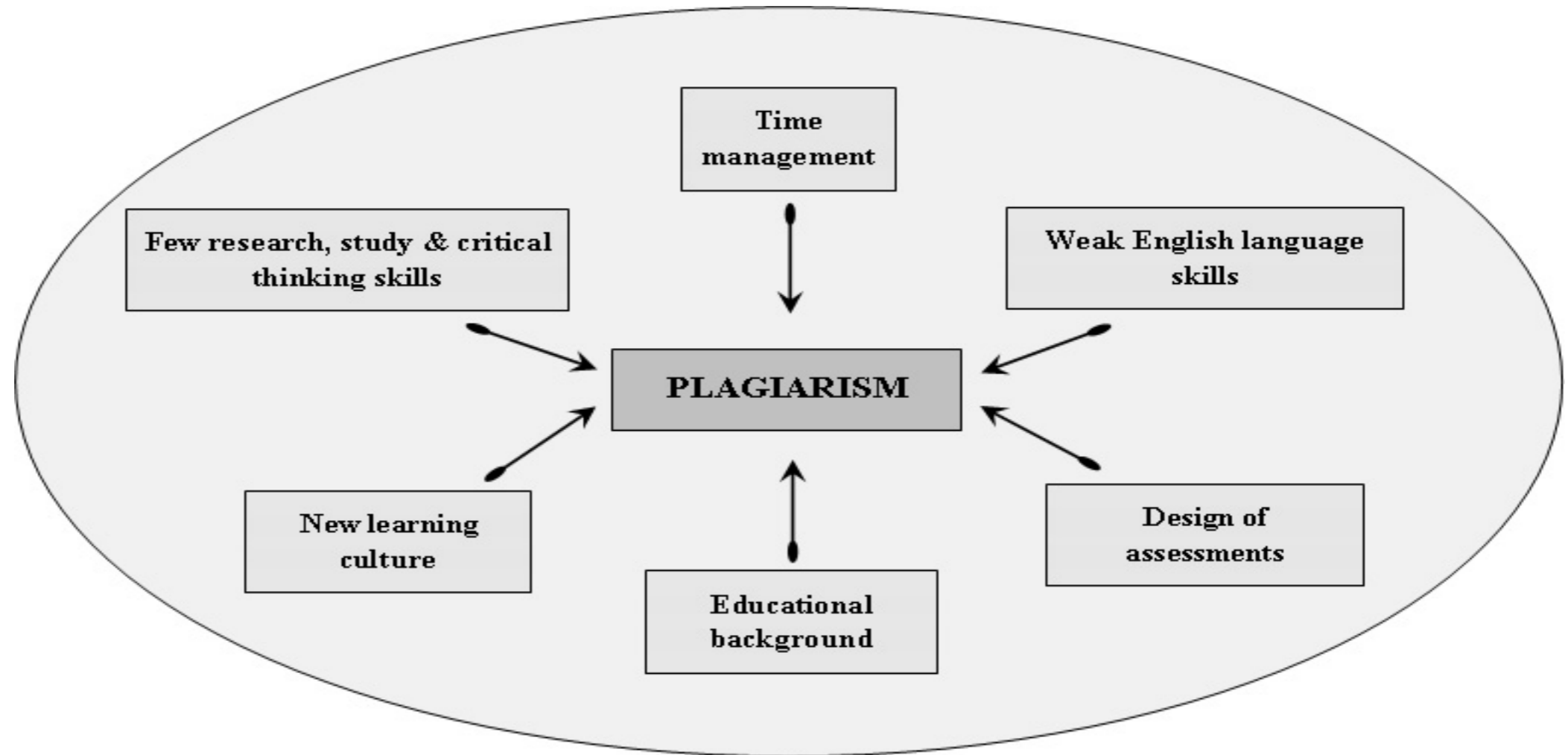


# Plagiarism as a problem

- Does not give **due credit to contributions** to a discipline
- Does not allow the author (plagiarizer) to show **true understanding** about the state of knowledge in a given field
- Often **damages one's academic and professional career**
- Dishonest, and **betrays the trust** of one's readers



# Reasons of Plagiarism



The core reasons (one or in combination) that could culminate in students plagiarising



# HEC Plagiarism Policy

- The aim of this policy is to apprise students, teachers, researchers and staff about Plagiarism and how it can be avoided
- It is also aimed at discouraging Plagiarism by regulating and authorizing punitive actions against those found guilty of the act of Plagiarism



# Policy Applicability

The policy is applicable to students, teacher, researchers and staff of all institutions and organizations in Pakistan who are involved in writing or publishing their work.



# Institutions' Responsibilities

- to apprise their students, teachers, researchers and staff of the definition, implications, and resulting punishments of plagiarism
- to ensure that papers/thesis submitted for publication should attain the highest ethical standards
- any University or DAI which does not adopt and implement this policy will have its degree derecognised by HEC



# Penalties for Plagiarism

## Penalties for Teachers, Researchers and Staff

- **Major Penalty:** If most of paper or key results are copied without providing proper references
  - Dismissal from the service alongwith
  - Black listing and may not be eligible for employment in Academic/ Research organization
  - Notification may be published in print media
- **Moderate Penalty:** If paragraphs including some key results have been copied without citation
  - Demotion to next lower grade
  - Notification may be published in print media





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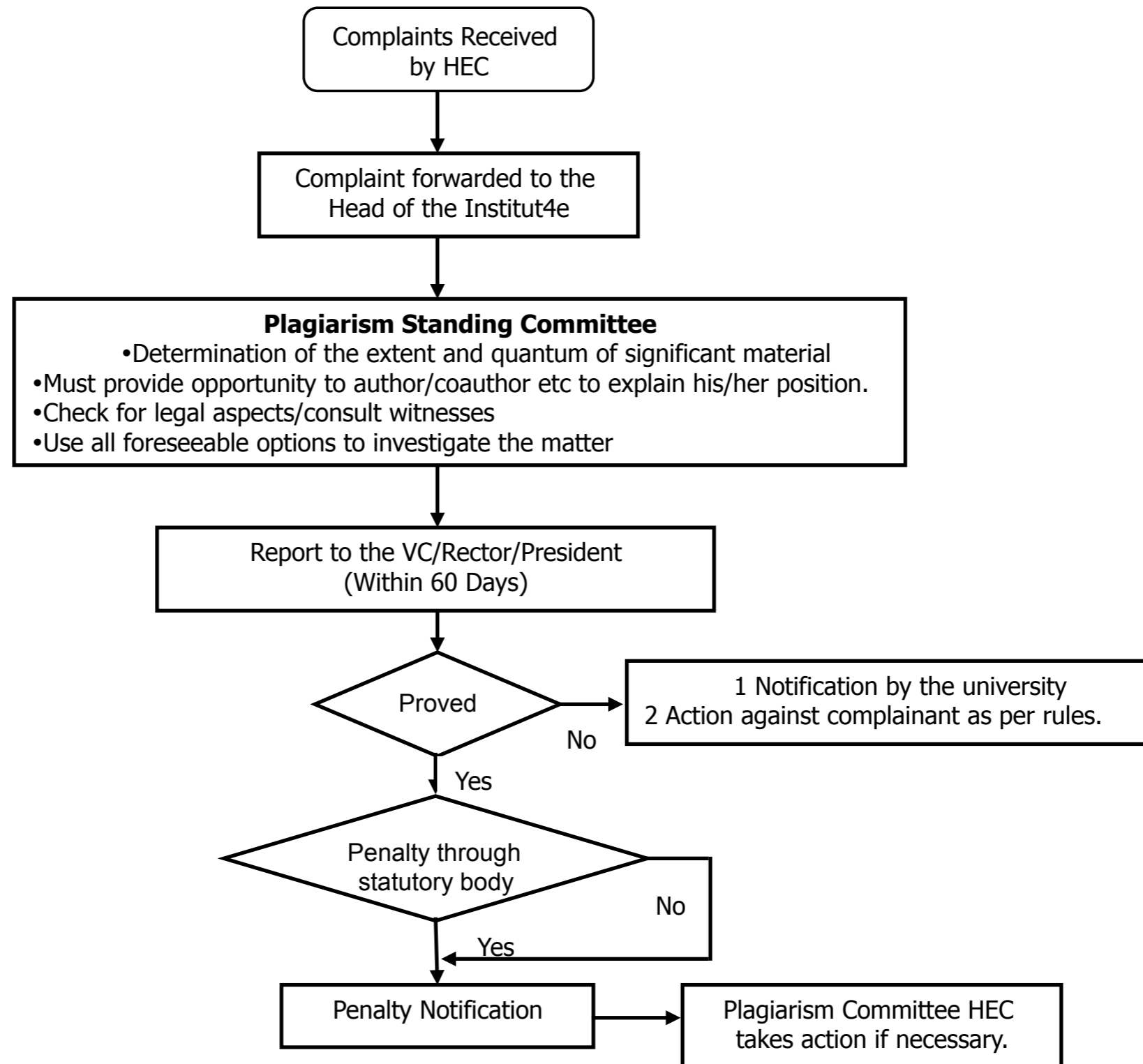
- **Minor Penalty:** If few paragraphs including some key results have been copied without citation
  - Warning
  - Freezing of all research grants
  - Promotion/Annual increments of the offender may be stopped
  - Supervision of PhD students disqualify

## Penalties for Students

- Supervisor of members of the supervisory committee are not responsible
- Offender may be expelled
- Relegated to lower class
- Failure in subject
- Degree may be withdrawn



# HEC-Anti-Plagiarism SOP





# Anti-Plagiarism Measures

Capacity building (Faculty, Students)

- IT Readiness
- Research Ethics
- Plagiarism Policy
- Meetings, Workshops, Conference
- Student Assessment Design



# Tips for Avoiding Plagiarism

- Use quotations if the source's own words are forceful and convey meaning well
- Any phrases/sentences you take from a source must:
  - Have quotation marks around them
  - Cite the source's page number(s) at the end of the sentence with the direct quotation



# Tips for Avoiding Plagiarism

- Paraphrasing: Use your own words and your own structure
- Cite the work at the beginning of your summary of it (e.g., Shunda (2006) studies X and finds Y...)
- Cite the source's page number(s) at the end of your paraphrasing
- Understanding the citation formats and styles



# Detection

- Search Engines: The purpose of search engines is to locate information for the keyword provided by the user.
- Turnitin (<http://www.turnitin.com/>): It is product of Iparadigms and is designed as an academic anti-plagiarism service.
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