

Turnitin – quick guide for Students

Integration of Turnitin into the “moodle@NovaSBE” Platform using 4 different Activities

Turnitin (Tii) - What is it?

Turnitin - <http://www.turnitin.com/> - is the leading originality checking and plagiarism prevention service used by millions of Students and Faculty from thousands of institutions worldwide.

It is a complete service to manage the process of submitting and tracking papers electronically and it is integrated with "Assignments, Forums, Workshops" moodle-Activities, and its own "Turnitin Assignment 2" Activity.

In a non-english document Teachers may use the “Translated matching”, a multilingual translation technology where texts written in a variety of over 30 different non-English languages are compared to Turnitin's massive content databases.

Turnitin's GradeMark and PeerMark are NOT available.

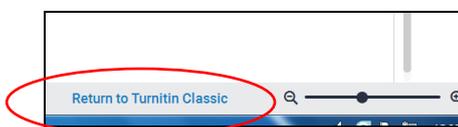
>> Starting TIPS:

- **Turnitin User Agreement** – Users need to agree to the Turnitin End User Licence Agreement (**EULA**) only once (per moodle-Server).
NOTE – Browsers have to allow pop-up windows because EULA will use one.
- **Work submitted** – all Files and Online Text accepted in the Activities with the Turnitin component added will go through Similarity checking.
Document **resubmissions** may be allowed by the Teachers.
- **Turnitin Report - created after submission:**
 - 1st submission – may take a few minutes;
 - next submission/s – if allowed by Teachers, may take at least 24h

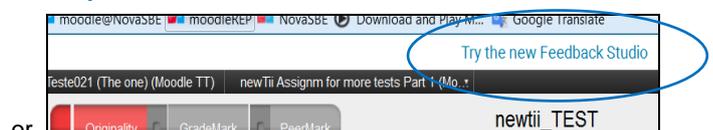
If allowed by Teachers, Students **may view their own “Similarity Report”** by clicking the “%” colored bar (similarity score): 

- **Document Viewer** - after the document submission to Turnitin, the report will be available shortly in the “Document Viewer”, which may have 2 interfaces available:
 - the **Turnitin Classic** and
 - the new **Feedback Studio**,and you may toggle between the two:

Bottom of screen:



Top of screen:

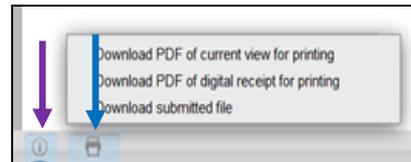


- **To view or download/save the Report:**

- In the “Turnitin Classic” interface
You may
 - toggle between “**Match Overview**” and “**All Sources**”, top right of the screen;

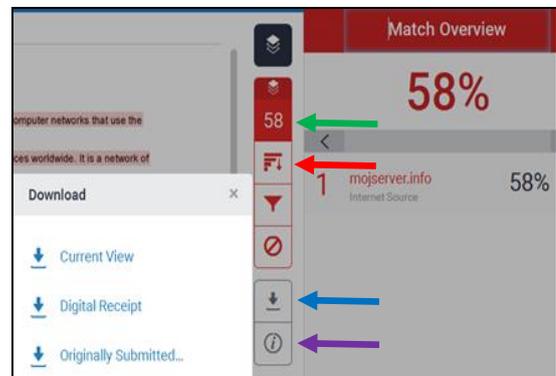


- in the bottom left of the screen.
- get the “**Submission Information**”, and
- Download, View or Save the report, by clicking the “**printer icon**” and select “Download PDF of current view for printing”:

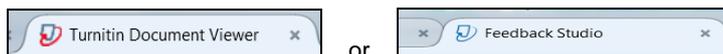


- In the newest “Feedback Studio” interface

- You may
 - choose between “**Match Overview**” and “**All Sources**”;
 - get the “**Submission details**”, and
 - Download, View or Save the report, by clicking the “**arrow down icon**” and selecting “Current View”:



- **Exiting the Similarity Report** - after viewing it, close its Windows Tab (X), on top:



- **File Types and Size**

If the Activity is set to *allow any file type*, Turnitin will accept any file:

- < 40Mb;
- < 400 pages;
- text only files < 2Mb;
- > 20 words;
- PDF files containing only images will be rejected in the upload attempt; it must contain some text to be accepted by Turnitin.

Larger size files may be reduced by removal of non-text content or the Instructor may be contacted to request multiple parts Assignment to submit the document in sections.

If the Activity is set to *allow only file types* that Turnitin can check for originality, Turnitin will only accept files that can generate Originality Reports. They are:

- Microsoft Word™ (DOC and DOCX)
- Corel WordPerfect®
- HTML
- Adobe PostScript®
- Plain text (TXT)
- Rich Text Format (RTF)
- Portable Document Format (PDF)
- OpenOffice (ODT)

More info:

https://guides.turnitin.com/03_Integrations/Turnitin_Partner_Integrations/Moodle/03_Moodle_Direct_V2/Direct_V2_Integration_Student_User_Manual/03_Submitting_a_Paper

Student User Manual

https://guides.turnitin.com/03_Integrations/Turnitin_Partner_Integrations/Moodle/Moodle_Direct_V2/Direct_V2_Integration_Student_User_Manual

https://guides.turnitin.com/@api/deki/files/6353/Moodle_Direct_V2_Student_User_Manual.pdf

Submitting Your Assignment

https://guides.turnitin.com/03_Integrations/Turnitin_Partner_Integrations/Moodle/03_Moodle_Direct_V2/Direct_V2_Integration_Student_User_Manual/03_Submitting_a_Paper

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fhs0OX8VY1s> (video – 06:35)

“How do I cite sources?”

<http://www.plagiarism.org/citing-sources/cite-sources>

What is the Originality/Similarity Report?

https://guides.turnitin.com/01_Manuals_and_Guides/Student_Guides/Turnitin_Classic_for_Students/17_The_Similarity_Report

Printing an Originality Report

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ImPervZd3So> (video – 01:24)

Jan10, 2018, sent by TII - Beginning Jan 16th, **Originality Check** will offer:

- **Faster formative Similarity Reports** - Give students more support to master paraphrasing and citation conventions. For instructors who allow resubmissions within their assignment settings, students will be able to view their Similarity Report, revise and then resubmit their work up to three times **without waiting 24 hours**.

>> **How to avoid some (known) TII “errors”** (2018.10.17)

Common errors you may avoid by following these rules:

- 1- Students must accept the “User License Agreement”;
- 2- By default all file types are accepted, such as: .doc, .docx, .ppt, .pptx, .pps, .ppsx, .pdf, .txt, .htm, .html, .hwp, .odt, .wpd, .ps, .xls, .xlsx and .rtf (for ex. template files – xltx - are “invalid”)

From TII documentation - *Turnitin will not accept the following to generate similarity reports:*

- *Password protected files*
- *Microsoft® Works (.wps) files*
- *Microsoft Word 2007 macros-enabled .docm files*
- *OpenOffice Text (.odt) files created*
- *Downloaded files from Google Docs online*
- *Document (.doc) files created using OpenOffice, as they are not 100% Microsoft Word equivalent*
- *Apple Pages*
- *Spreadsheets created outside of Microsoft Excel (such as .ods)*
- *Text with visual effects;*

More info on submitting papers::

https://guides.turnitin.com/01_Manuals_and_Guides/Instructor_Guides/Feedback_Studio/Submitting_Papers

- 3- PDFs files are recommended;
- 4- Submitted files must contain 20 words or more, and be less than 40Mb;

- 5- Students should not resubmit an Assignment (when allowed in the Assignment Settings) with a different name;
- 6- Students must obey the submission dates;
- 7- Pls check TII messages (if allowed):

For ex. -  can be more than one message, some may mention “a PDF file without valid text”, because it was

- *created in Photoshop;*
- *created in PowerPoint;*
- *saved as an image.*

***Your feedback is greatly appreciated!
For additional info, please contact me.***

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