Plagiarism Policy Statement

The Institute of Project Management emphasizes the idea of academic integrity, which is accomplished by using proper reference and citation techniques in all academic writing. This policy's goals are to encourage academic honesty and best practices while allowing for a uniform approach to the handling of plagiarism within the Institute of Project Management. Plagiarism is regarded as an academic offense around the world and as such has severe repercussions. The act of copying a piece of work word verbatim or partially without citing the original author constitutes plagiarism.

A few examples of plagiarism are as follows:

* Failure to reference sources or authors.
* Showcasing a third-party author's work
* Displaying a significant volume of plagiarized content without attribution from any source or format.
* The act of summarizing a portion of literature or a concept without citing the original source.
* Self-plagiarism is the practice of presenting one's own work without citing the source.
* Claim ownership of group work you've done.

Penalty

In each instance, the student receives a formal warning, and a record is produced that is added to their academic background.

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| **Extent of Plagiarism** | **Penalty** |
| Below 5% AND less than two sentences | No further action beyond a written warning |
| Between 6% and 50% OR with critical aspects plagiarised | Assignment awarded 0% - resubmission required, with no penalty on the mark |
| Above 50% OR more than five paragraphs | Assignment awarded 0% - resubmission required, but mark capped at 40% |
| Presenting already submitted content.  Presenting work that was copied without the author's knowledge or permission.  Submission obtained from a writing agency or essay mill. | Module awarded 0% - resit required |

Even though we recognize that plagiarism sometimes happens accidentally, the policy will apply to all instances of plagiarism.