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Research for College Papers

- Library
- Web
- Articles
- Books
- Plagiarism & MLA Citation Style
Library

- Scholarly information
- Books
- Journals
- Older (and current) News and Magazines
- Controlled Vocabulary
- Search tools
- Human Research Associates

Subject Guides

libguides.tri-c.edu

GEN 1022 Subject Guide
using information ethically

Plagiarism & MLA Style

Understanding Plagiarism

- Terms you need to know
- Examples of plagiarism
- Consequences of plagiarism
Plagiarism

Failing to give credit for words and ideas that are not yours. (Seattle Community Colleges Libraries)

Citing a Source

- Gives unique identifying information about a source
- Sources include books, articles, images, etc.
Citation

- All information needed to describe a source
- Follows a specific format:


Citation Style

- Formatting papers
- Acknowledging sources
- Different styles: Chicago, Turabian, ACS
  - MLA Style
    *MLA Handbook for Writers of Research Papers*
  - APA Style
    *Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association*
Works Cited page

- Making a list of all sources used
- Attached as the last page

No Citations = Plagiarism
### Examples of Plagiarism

- Copying someone else's words without using quotation marks and acknowledging the source
- Quoting someone else's words inaccurately
- Paraphrasing or summarizing someone else's words without citing the source
- Restating someone else's original or specialized ideas without citing the source

### Examples of Plagiarism

- Misrepresenting someone else's words or ideas
- Citing the wrong source
- Pretending someone else's work is your own
Plagiarism = Bad Things Happen

Consequences

- Violation of Tri-C's Student Code of Conduct
- Penalties can include
  - ‘F’ for the assignment
  - ‘F’ for the course
  - Warning, probation, suspension, expulsion
Avoiding Plagiarism

- Quote or rephrase
- Acknowledge the source

Integrate Your Research

- Quote
- Summary
- Paraphrase
Quoting

- Copy word for word
- Use quotation marks
- Acknowledge the source

Summarizing

- Condense a passage
- Restate the *main* idea in your own words
- Acknowledge the source
**Paraphrasing**

- Restate *all* points of a passage
- Alter the word and phrase order of each sentence
- Acknowledge the source

**Citation Mechanics**

- What to cite
- Where to cite
What Not to Cite

- Your ideas, observations, and reasoning
- Common knowledge

What to Cite

- Direct quotations
- Ideas or facts not your own
- Interpretation of facts
- Expert’s observations
- Images
- Statistics
Take Note!

- Record information about your source
  - Write it down or type it up
  - Print the item record or citation page
- Use your notes to create a *Works Cited* page

Works Cited page

- Complete list of all sources used
- Complete information about each source
- Separate page
- Last page
Example | Works Cited

Adorno, Theodor. "Extracts from Minima Moralia: Reflections on Damaged Life." 


formatting Citations