# THE FIVE TYPES OF PLAGIARISM

# Are You Stealing Intellectual Property?

Adapted from Instructor Theresa Ireton's in-class presentation

#### What is Plagiarism?

- Presenting another's original thoughts or ideas as your own
- Using another's exact words without proper citation



**STRATEGIES TO AVOID PLAGIARISM** 

o Isolate the reasons why plagiarism occurs

o Identify the different types of plagiarism

o Integrate plagiarism prevention

#### UNINTENTIONAL PLAGIARISM

- Paraphrasing poorly: changing a few words without changing the sentence structure of the original, or changing the sentence structure but not the words.
- Quoting poorly: putting quotation marks around part of a quotation but not around all of it, or putting quotation marks around a passage that is partly paraphrased and partly quoted.
- Citing poorly: omitting an occasional citation or citing inaccurately.

MLA handbook for writers of research papers. (7<sup>th</sup> ed.). The Modern Language Association of America. New York: 2009. Print.

#### INTENTIONAL PLAGIARISM

- Passing off as one's own pre-written papers from the Internet or other sources.
- Copying an essay or article from the Internet, online source, or electronic database without quoting or giving credit.
- Cutting and pasting from more than one source to create a paper without quoting or giving credit.
- Borrowing words or ideas from other students or sources without giving credit.
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# PLAGIARISM PREVENTION: BE AUTHENTIC

• Develop a topic based on previously written material but write something new and original

• Rely on opinions of experts on a topic but improve upon those opinions

• Give credit to researchers while making your own contribution

• Follow a standard documentation method such as MLA or APA format

## THE FIRST TYPE OF PLAGIARISM

#### • Plagiarism of Words

• The use of another's exact words without citing the author

#### Incorrect

• Plagiarism is the reproduction of someone else's words, ideas or findings and presenting them as one's own without proper acknowledgement.

#### • Correct

• Plagiarism is the "reproduction of someone else's words, ideas or findings and presenting them as one's own without proper acknowledgement" (Undergraduate Course Handbook: 2008, p.24)

# THE SECOND TYPE OF PLAGIARISM

## **o** Plagiarism of Structure

- Paraphrasing another's words by changing sentence construction or word choice with citation
- Paraphrasing while maintaining original sentence construction with acknowledging the source

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#### **Plagiarism of Ideas**

**Presenting another's** ideas as your own without giving the person credit

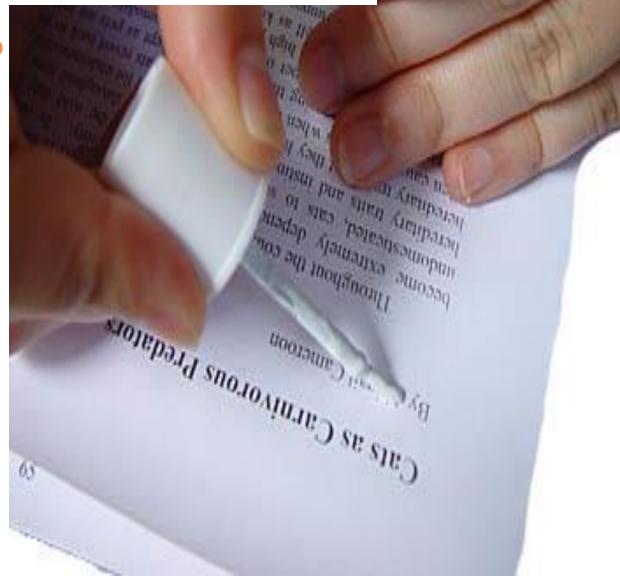
Submitting a paper without citing or incorrectly citing another's ideas

# THE FOURTH TYPE OF PLAGIARISM

**Plagiarism of Authorship** 

Turning in a replication of another's work

Submitting a paper that you got off the internet or from a friend and presenting it as your own



#### THE FIFTH TYPE OF PLAGIARISM

#### **Plagiarism of Self**

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- The use of previous work for a separate assignment
  - Although these were you original words and thoughts, receiving credit for a previous assignment is considered cheating

## THE PENALTIES OF PLAGIARISM

- Although plagiarism can be intentional or unintentional, both have consequences. A meeting with the VP of Students will be scheduled to determine an outcome
  - Receiving zero on the assignment
  - Failing the course
  - Suspension
  - Expulsion

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