Academic Integrity & Plagiarism

What is Academic Integrity?

All members of the academic community, whether they are faculty members or students must adhere to the rules of honest scholarship and produce work that is the product of their own research and must not be copied in any manner from another person's work—be it visual, text or multi-media.

If you didn't write it, cite it

All writings that are from other sources must be cited, either in text citation if it is an idea, or with quotation marks and proper citation style

Know the difference...Summarizing - Paraphrasing - Quoting

Summarizing

- Text is much shorter than the original source
- Must use your own words with limited use of quotations
- Must reference the original source

Paraphrasing

- Text may be shorter or longer than original source
- Must use your own words
- Must reference the original source

Quoting

- Text is the exact length of the original text quoted
- Must use the original author's s exact words
- Must use quotation marks around the original text
- Must reference the original source and the page number

For more information: https://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/

Unsure if you have plagiarized? Use a plagiarism checker...

- Google Scholar
 - http://plagiarisma.net/scholar.php
- PlagTracker
 - https://www.plagtracker.com
- The Plagiarism Checker
 - http://www.dustball.com/cs/plagiarism.checker/

Citation Styles

Citation styles vary based on the department you are in.

The three main styles are:

1. MLA: http://www.mlahandbook.org

2. APA: http://www.apastyle.org/

3. Chicago/Turabian Style: http://www.chicagomanualofstyle.org

Some Quick Resources for Citation and Research

- FIT Academic Honor Code: https://www.fitnyc.edu/13233.asp
- FIT Writing Studio: http://www.fitnyc.edu/5770.asp
- FIT Library Guides: http://fitnyc.libguides.com/
- Purdue Online Writing Lab: https://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/
- KU Writing Center: http://writing.ku.edu/

Citation Generators

- Easy Bib: Free Bibliography Generator
 - http://www.easybib.com
- BibMe
 - http://www.bibme.org
- Son of Citation Machine
 - http://www.citationmachine.net

Citation Management

- Zotero: Grab your research with a click (free)
 - https://www.zotero.net
- Mendeley: Your research, anywhere. (free)
 - http://www.mendeley.com
- RefWorks: Your online research management tool (subscriptionbased)
 - https://www.refworks.com
- EndNote: Find, use and share research (subscription-based)
 - http://www.endnote.com
 - FIT Faculty Senate Library Committee

Happy Researching!