

Use Turnitin with Assignments

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NOTE: Text submission in WYSIWYG editor is **NOT** recommended as it may not generate a similarity report.

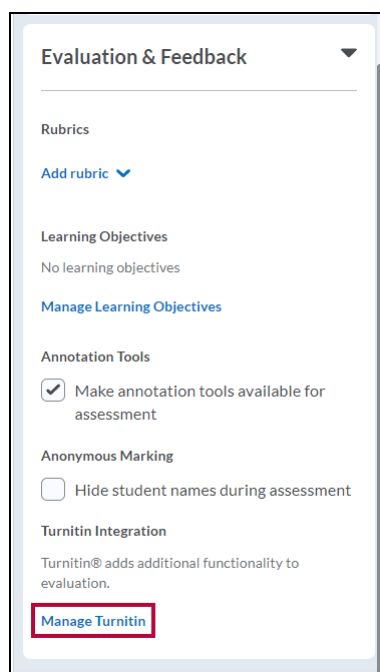
Enabling Turnitin Feedback Studio on Assignment Settings

From the **Edit Folder** page, expand **Evaluation & Feedback** panel to do the following:

- Enable detailed Similarity Reports for assignment submissions
- Control end-user visibility
- Set the Similarity Report's frequency
- Select the sources to check the submission against
- Determine if the current submission is added to the file index for new submissions to be checked against

Viewing the Similarity Report® Options in the Turnitin Feedback Studio

1. From the **Evaluation & Feedback** panel, click **Manage Turnitin**.



2. In the **Turnitin Integration** popup window, select **Enable Similarity Report for this folder**.
From the **Display** and **Submissions Checked** area, select the appropriate radio button.
 - **Allow learners to see similarity scores in their submission folder** - Allow students to view their similarity scores in their folder.
 - **Automatic similarity checking on all submissions** - Performs a similarity check on all student submissions.
 - **Identify individual submissions for similarity checking** - Requires you to select submissions individually to check for similarities.

Viewing Similarity Report® Options

1. When you enable **Online Grading®**, the **Enable Similarity Report® for this folder** checkbox is automatically selected. Therefore, Turnitin® generates a Similarity Report automatically. If it is not enabled, check the box.

NOTE: If you do not enable these options for this folder *before* students submit any papers, Online Grading® will not generate the similarity reports for any submissions, even if you select the checkbox at a later date.

You may clear the **Similarity Report®** option and use only the **Online Grading®**, but you cannot use only the **Similarity Report®** option without selecting **Online Grading®**.

2. From the **Display** area, select the **Allow learners to see Turnitin® similarity scores in their submission folder**, if needed.

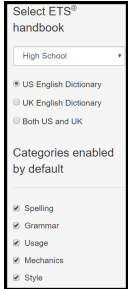
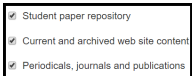
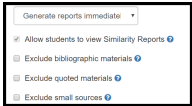

3. From the **Frequency** area, change the frequency of your Similarity Reports.
 - o **Automatic similarity checking on all submissions**, which will put all student submissions through Turnitin®.
 - o **Identify individual submissions for similarity checking**, which will allow you to choose which students' papers are sent through Turnitin®.

4. Click the **More Options in Turnitin®** button. A window displays additional Turnitin® options. D2L displays the Title and Max Grade automatically, based on the information you entered for the assignment settings.
5. Select the **Allow submission of any file type** checkbox to allow files that Turnitin® can't read to be turned in. In this case, the files would be available for download, but would not be evaluated for similarity.

Viewing Optional Settings

From the additional Turnitin® options window, click the **Optional Settings** link to display additional settings.


| Area | Setting Name | Setting Description |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| Submission Settings | Paper Repository (Drop-Down List) | Allows students to submit papers to the standard paper repository. Leave this set to Standard paper repository unless you do not want Turnitin® to save the submissions to the repository. |

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| | Allow Submission of Any File Type | Allows students to submit any file type. With this option set to Yes, Turnitin® will check submissions for similarity where possible. Submissions will also be available for download, and Online Grading® feedback tools will be available where possible. |
| | Allow Late Submissions | Defaults to Yes and you cannot change it. Please note, this setting will not change the dates you have set in your D2L assignment, and won't change the acceptance of papers if you have put in both a due date and an end date to allow late papers. |
| | Enable Grammar Checking Using ETS® e-rater® Technology | Allow Turnitin® to check the grammar automatically. If you select this option, options display.  |
| | Attach a Rubric | If you have built rubrics inside Turnitin®, you can attach one to the assignment. These rubrics are totally separate from D2L rubrics. |
| Compare Against  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student Paper Repository • Current and Archived Web Site Content • Periodicals, Journals, and Publications | Select the options to compare assignments against. |
| Similarity Report  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Similarity Report Generation and Resubmissions (Drop-Down List) • Allow Students to View Similarity Reports • Exclude Bibliographic Materials; Exclude Quoted Materials; Exclude Small Sources | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Select an option from the drop-down list that determines how Turnitin® handles the Similarity Report for multiple submissions. • Select this option to allow students to view their submissions. • Select the options to exclude from the Similarity Report. |
| Additional Settings  | Save These Settings for Future Use | Enables the settings you have made, so you do not have to go through and reset them for each assignment. |

Manually Submitting Files for Similarity Checking

If your assignment folder has **Identify individual submissions for similarity checking** enabled, you need to submit file submissions for similarity checking manually.

This option is useful if you do not want to check every file submission for plagiarism but still want the ability to do so on a case-by-case basis.

1. Expand the **Evaluation & Feedback** panel, under the subheading **Frequency**, select the **Identify individual submissions for similarity checking** option.
2. From the **Folder Submissions** page, click the  **Submit file for similarity checking** icon

to the far right.



Similarity Reports

From the **Folder Submissions** page, you can view Similarity Reports. When a report is available, the status changes from **In-Progress** to a percentage rating, which indicates the level of matching content.

- A lower percentage rating indicates the content is likely original and has not been copied.
- A higher percentage rating indicates the content is likely not original and has been copied from another source.

Colors are associated with percentage:

Blue ≥ 0 and $< 20\%$

Green ≥ 20 and $< 40\%$

Yellow ≥ 40 and $< 60\%$

Orange ≥ 60 and $< 80\%$

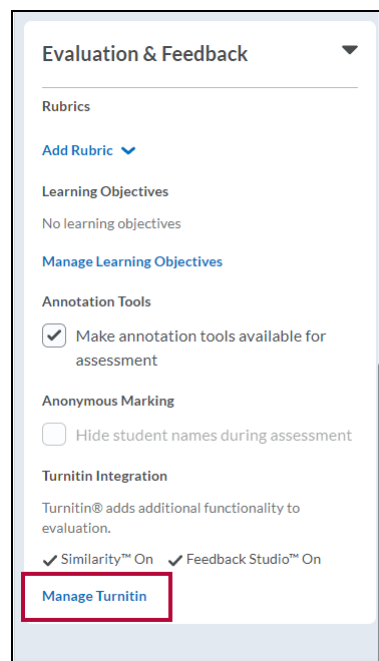
Red ≥ 80 and $\leq 100\%$

If the Similarity Report Fails to Generate

When the instructor activates Turnitin after some submissions have been made to the assignment folder, this workaround can force the generation of the reports.

To trigger reports:

1. Go into the Assignment editor. Click to expand the **Evaluation & Feedback** panel.
2. Click the **Manage Turnitin** button



3. Click the **More Option in Turnitin** button.

Turnitin® Integration

If you would like similarity scores to be generated for this folder, you can choose how you would like to transfer the scores.

Transfer

Automatically sync grades as Draft in Brightspace

Manually sync grades as Draft in Brightspace

Originality Check® ⓘ

Enable Originality Check® for this folder

Display

Allow learners to see Turnitin similarity scores

Frequency

Automatic originality checking on all submissions

Identify individual submissions for originality checking

More Options in Turnitin®

Save **Cancel**

4. Change the Turnitin report generation setting to "generate immediately (resubmissions allowed until the due date)."

Similarity Report

Generate Similarity Reports for student submission

Generate reports immediately ()

Generate reports immediately (students cannot resubmit)

Generate reports immediately (students can resubmit until due date) After 3 resubmissions, reports generate after 24 hours

Generate reports on due date (students can resubmit until due date)

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5. Click **Submit**.
6. Click **Save**.
7. On the assignment editor page, make sure the due date is in the future.
If the due date has already passed when this change occurs, it won't generate the reports.

Grade Out Of: 100 points | Not in Grade Book

Due Date: 5/27/2022 11:59 PM

Instructions

Paragraph | Bold | Italic | Underline | Text Color | Background Color | Bulleted List | Numbered List | Indent | Decrease Indent | Undo | Redo

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8. On the newly selected due date, all reports will be re-run (which triggers the generation of the reports that are missing).

Viewing an Similarity Report for a Submission

To view the associated Similarity Report, click the colored section beside the percentage rating. To access the Feedback Studio, click the pencil icon.

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Opening Similarity Reports

Two panes make up the Similarity Report.

1. The right pane lists all of the matching sources, including the percentage of text that matches and a link to the online content.
2. The left pane displays the submission text using colored highlights to draw attention to the matching content.

NOTE: For more detailed help with Similarity Reports, click the help link in the top-right corner of the report page within Turnitin®.



The following file types are compatible with Similarity Report®:

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|-----------------------|------------------------|
| MS Word (.doc, .docx) | OpenOffice Text (.odt) |
| PostScript (.eps) | WordPerfect (.wpd) |
| HTML (.htm, .html) | Acrobat (.pdf) |
| Plain text (.txt) | Rich text (.rtf) |

NOTES:

A .pdf file must be a single file with highlightable text; Turnitin® will not accept .pdf image files, forms, portfolios, or documents containing multiple files.

If a file type is incompatible with Similarity Check®, the Information icon displays instead of the percentage rating.

If you would like to use Turnitin from the Turnitin.com (<https://Turnitin.com>) website rather than through the integration with D2L, please contact VTAC.

Insights Panel

In the Insight panel, you'll find a quick overview of any integrity insights we've found in a document. Depending on your Turnitin license, it can include Similarity, Flags, and Document Details. Viewing more information is as easy as selecting the one you're interested in learning more about.

See **Flags Insight Panel**

(<https://groove.grvlnk3.com/url/99zivncyn3gpz8dffhj3z/aHR0cHM6Ly9oZWxwLnR1cm5pdGluLmNvbS9mZWVkyMfJay1zdHVkaW8vZmxhZ3MuaHRt2dyb292ZXN1bTo5MDQ1>) from Turnitin for more information.


Template Exclusion

Occasionally students are provided with templates that are submitted alongside their assignments. If all students within the class submit the same template, it will influence their Similarity Report. Templates can be uploaded to the assignment settings so that they can be automatically excluded from all students' Similarity Report in that class.

See **Template Exclusion**

(<https://groove.grvlnk3.com/url/99zivncyn3gpz8dffhj3z/aHR0cHM6Ly9oZWxwLnR1cm5pdGluLmNvbS9mZWVkyMfJay1zdHVkaW8vZmxhZ3MuaHRt2dyb292ZXN1bTo5MDQ1>) from Turnitin for more information.

Using Turnitin QuickMarks

You can access the **QuickMarks** tool through the  icon on the right toolbar within **Turnitin Feedback Studio**. You can then select from a word bank that will allow you to insert feedback that may be applicable to the student's content.

See **Adding QuickMarks** (<https://help.turnitin.com/feedback-studio/turnitin-website/instructor/quickmarks-and-commenting-tools/adding-quickmarks.htm>) from Turnitin for more information.

