

Manipal University Policy on Academic Dishonesty and Plagiarism

1. Preamble:

The University is committed to academic excellence and high standards of ethical conduct in research and scientific work.

Scientific misconduct relates to data fabrication, falsification, plagiarism, or any other practice that seriously deviates from those commonly accepted within the national and international scientific community, either in performing or reporting research from Manipal University. Manipal University expects that its faculty, research scholars and students will adhere to the highest national and international standards of good scientific conduct in their research work. Researchers will be responsible for their work and actions.

Sensitization of researchers/faculty/staff with regard to University policy on Academic Dishonesty and Plagiarism will be implemented through Research Directorate of Manipal University with the help of research committee of each institution. Academic excellence of the University shall be maintained on implementation of the University Policy on Academic Dishonesty and Plagiarism.

2. Prevention:

It is the authors' and co-authors' responsibility to prevent any complaint of plagiarism and academic dishonesty while publishing papers/manuscripts, books or making paper presentations in a conference/seminar.

The authors are also responsible for any act of plagiarism, cheating, fabrication, academic dishonesty and research misconduct. Matters related to student plagiarism, authorship issues and actions of research misconduct will be dealt with by the departments and institutions. A committee appointed by the Dean/HOD of each institution/department will scrutinize authorship, affiliations, acknowledgement, suitability, improvement and other issues.

3. Disciplinary Actions:

The Registrar of Manipal University will appoint an enquiry committee, in consultation with the Vice Chancellor, MU, to investigate and suggest punitive actions whenever an act of plagiarism or academic dishonesty is reported. The Heads of the constituent institutions with the help of the respective departments will help Manipal University to prevent and curb any type of plagiarism and academic dishonesty.

Disciplinary action will be taken as per the recommendations of the enquiry committee after approval of the Vice-Chancellor.

This policy is framed in order to maintain the academic excellence and honesty at Manipal University. This policy may be amended from time to time as per the requirements and circumstances.

