



POLICY ON INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS (IPR) INCLUDING PLAGIARISM AND COPY RIGHT

INTRODUCTION:- The NorthCap University, like any Institution of Higher Learning regards Plagiarism very seriously and seeks to protect its academic standards against it. Plagiarism and any other form of academic/ intellectual cheating constitute grave academic misconduct.

APPLICABILITY:- The NorthCap University policy on Plagiarism and associated academic misconduct would be applicable to NCU Faculty, Staff and Students. All NCU staff and students are responsible and accountable for their academic integrity.

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PROCESS: All cases of plagiarism/ fabrication once detected, should be reported with all evidence to DOS/ HOD/ Vice Chancellor/ Pro – Vice Chancellor at the first instance. Since, it consists grave academic misconduct, the same shall be actioned with speed for investigation, where any form of plagiarism/ fabrication is established. Investigations shall be followed by disciplinary proceedings detected as per rules laid down by the University from time to time.