

TurnItIn Originality Reports from Sakai Assignments

It is possible to set up Sakai assignments to link to TurnItIn.com, eliminating the need to create a separate account, course, and assignment in TurnItIn.com. You do not need to have a TurnItIn.com account, or do any configuration in Turnitin.com. You will need a Sakai course site with the Assignments tool present.

Setting up the Assignment

You may create a new assignment to generate the originality report, or modify an existing assignment. Sakai assignments that use TurnItIn are marked with a red ribbon on the assignment list.

1. On the Assignments page, click Add to create a new assignment, or Edit below an existing assignment.
2. For a new assignment, enter title, dates, and instructions.
3. Set the student submissions to "Single Uploaded File Only." The originality report will not work for inline submissions or multiple attachments.
4. Under Turnitin Service, check "Use Turnitin." The configuration options will appear below.
5. Set the TurnItIn options:
 - Submit Papers to the repository – This option will keep a copy of the student's submissions in TurnItIn's database to compare to future papers from NSCC and other schools. Do not use this option for draft assignments, as the final draft will appear as completely plagiarized.
 - Generate Originality Reports – Immediately will generate originality reports within 30 minutes of submission. Use this if you would like students to be able to submit multiple drafts, or if they are only allowed to submit one attempt.
 - Allow students to view report – This makes a copy of the originality report available for students on the Assignment feedback page.
 - Exclusion Options – Choose whether to exclude bibliographic materials, quoted materials, or small matches from the originality report results.
 - Check Originality Against – Select which databases to compare the student submissions against. By default, all three options (TurnItIn repository, internet, and publications) are checked.
6. Set other Assignment options as appropriate.
7. Post the assignment.

Viewing the Originality Report

The TurnItIn originality reports are available on the grading page. On the Assignments page, click on Grade below the assignment name. There are two places to view the originality reports. The reports are color-coded using TurnItIn's levels of red, yellow, green, and blue.

- The TurnItIn reports are available in a column to the right of the student grade. You may click on the report icon here to open the student's originality report.
- If you click on Grade to view an individual student's submission, the TurnItIn report will appear near the top of the page, below the submission date and status. Click on View Report to access the originality report.

The originality reports are not available offline, so the bulk download option will not include these reports.