

Turnitin: Viewing the Similarity Report / Originality Score (Student Guide)

Turnitin generates a Similarity Report, which overlays a student's submission with the citation information Turnitin aggregated and checked the submission against. This Turnitin Similarity Report is a valuable tool in discussing and understanding proper citation methods.

Turnitin can be used on an assignment by assignment basis. If your instructor has not enabled Turnitin on an assignment, you will not have access to a Turnitin Similarity Reports for that assignment.

! Although it is recommended that instructors using Turnitin allow their students to immediately view Similarity Reports, the instructor does have the ability to suppress student access to reports completely or until the assignment due date.

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Turnitin Similarity Report Access

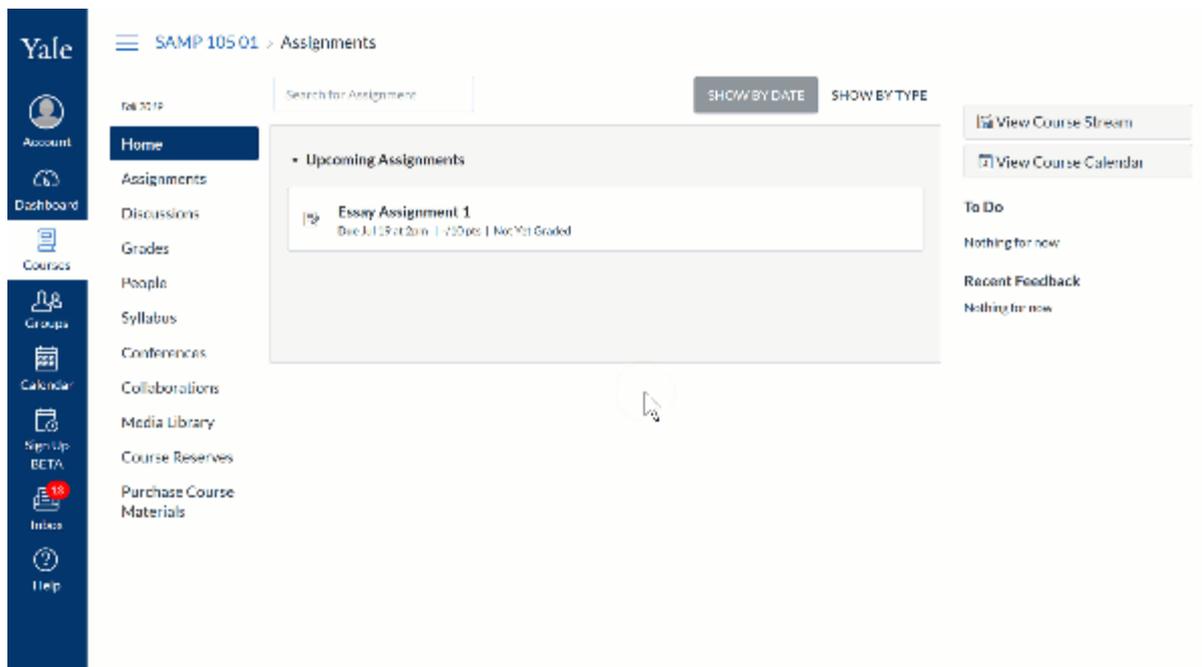
For assignments that use Turnitin, instructors can allow their students to view your Similarity Report. For these assignments, you can access the report either through your course's Grades area or the Canvas Turnitin Assignment.

! Similarity Reports are generated for instructors once upon student submission, and again once the due date has passed.

If your instructor has allowed students to view the Similarity Report, please be aware that you may have two different scores after the due date because of this.

Turnitin Similarity Report Through Grades Section

1. In your Canvas course, navigate to the "**Grades**" section in your Course Navigation.
2. In the list of your graded assessments, locate the Canvas Turnitin Assignment.
3. Click the **colored flag icon** in-line with the Turnitin assignment to open your Similarity Report on Turnitin in a new tab.
 - a. The color of the flag (green, yellow, or red) will correspond with the percentage of the material the similarity report has found associated with the submission.



Turnitin Similarity Report Through Canvas Assignment

1. In your Canvas course, navigate to your Canvas Turnitin Assignment where you've submitted your file / text and click the "**Submission Details**" link under the "**Submissions**" header.

The screenshot shows the 'Turnitin Assignment' interface. At the top left, it says 'Turnitin Assignment' with a small icon. To the right is a 'New Attempt' button. Below this is a table with columns: 'Due' (No Due Date), 'Points' (100), and 'Submitting' (a file upload). On the right side, under the 'Submission' header, it says 'Submitted!' with a checkmark, followed by 'Sep 6 at 4:01pm'. A red box highlights a '1' icon and the 'Submission Details' link. Below that is a 'Download Sample Paper.pdf' link. At the bottom right, there is a note: 'You may not see all comments right now because the assignment is currently being graded.'

2. Click the **colored flag icon** next to the submission file / text to open your Similarity Report on Turnitin in a new tab.
 - a. The color of the flag (green, yellow, or red) will correspond with the percentage of the material the similarity report has found associated with the submission.

The screenshot shows the 'Turnitin Assignment' interface with a submission. At the top left, it says 'Turnitin Assignment' and 'submitted Sep 6 at 4:01pm'. To the right is a 'Re-submit Assignment' button. Below this is a submission entry for 'Sample Paper.pdf' (52.1 KB) with a red box around it and a '100.0%' similarity score. A red box also highlights a '2' icon and the 'View Feedback' link. On the right side, there is a note: 'You may not see all comments right now because the assignment is currently being graded'. Below that is an 'Add a Comment:' section with a text input field. At the bottom right, there are 'Media Comment' and 'Attach File' links, and a 'Save' button.

Vendor Guides

Refer to the vendor guides from Turnitin for more information on how to read and interpret your Similarity Report.

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