

Discussion with Udacity mentor

My project got flagged for plagiarism - what to do next

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Andreas B

about 20 hours ago

Hi all,

today I did get a review for my Machine Learning ND capstone project, which seemed quite strange to me. Firstly, my project got flagged for Plagiarism and compared to a site I never visited (<https://ywseo.github.io/semantic-segmentation/>).

After reading the content of the site, I might say that there are similarities between my project and the project on the above site. However, the process of getting a result in Semantic Segmentation is often quite similar. On the the other hand my review stated, that I did not submit my project proposal. But actually, I finished, as well as submitted my proposal, and it got reviewed on Tuesday, march 23rd, 10:31 am (I included an updated proposal to the Github link of this project).

What can I do now? I changed the code in the main-file now, but don't want to risk finishing this Nanodegree at all. In order to avoid further confusion I would like to change the topic of my capstone project to the another project. But how can I resubmit my proposal? Would it be possible to send it as pdf-file during submission of the capstone project?

Thanks in advance for your reply.

Best regards.

Andreas

Github or Project Link

Capstone Proposal

2 Answers

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Hi!

If you didn't plagiarized the project, a thorough explanation of why your project couldn't be plagiarized from the referred one will suffice (this is usually easy to prove). You just may submit the project again with that explanation.

I don't understand why the reviewer said you didn't finished the proposal, but if you have the requirement as completed in the platform, you shouldn't worry about it.

Finally, if you still want to start a new project, there is no way to submit the proposal again, but you should attach the new proposal to the submission of the project, with a brief comment explaining why you chose a different one.

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Juan Felipe C

Mentor

about 19 hours ago

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Hi Juan,

thanks for your reply. I did make a few changes in my main-file and also put a new proposal into my Github. However, I don't know, how to work around this plagiarism-accusation. I did a little research on the internet and everybody does it the way like [ywseo.github.io](https://ywseo.github.io), because it's the standard way to do. You load the model, you define your layers, build the loss and optimizer operations, and train your neural network. Did everybody cheat here?

I think I just start a new project and the reason, why I will do this, is, that I got stuck in my initial project. Would that be enough for an explanation, why I chose a different one?

Thanks in advance for your reply and best regards from Austria.

Andreas

P.S.: <https://github.com/Jingle1999/SemanticSegmentationWithAWS>

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Andreas B

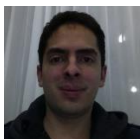
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- Hi!

From what I've read, I really think that this was just mistake the reviewer did, a simple explanation from your part would be enough next time you submit it. So I think you should stick to this project.

If you want to get more assistance on this issue from a higher instance, I suggest you submit a request [here](#).

(If you start another project, you should explain the whole situation).



*Juan Felipe C*

*about 1 hour ago*