

There are many consequences students can face when they are caught in plagiarism, does not matter if its intentional or unintentional.

Some of them are:

1. A zero for the writing assignment.
2. The instructor may give a chance to write the assignment again. However, not all instructors allow for a second chance.
3. Student may receive a failing grade in the course.
4. Student may be expelled (forced to leave) from the university. The information may be noted on the transcript.

Sometimes the instructor reports the plagiarism to the board and the board does not allow student to continue the study, if the percentage of plagiarism is high. It is surprising to me as sometimes the free versions of the softwares available on the internet pick up little phrases as plagiarized even though they are just sentence's basic building blocks. Sometimes students try to paraphrase an article which has been cited too many times may end up plagiarizing from the other citations due to their limited vocabulary.

I think students should be given a chance to explain the situation, rewrite it and submit the paper as expulsion may cost them their future. Being expelled from university due to plagiarism have significant and long-lasting consequences for the students. It can impact their academic record, which could make it difficult for them to enroll in other universities or secure employment that requires a degree. It can also result in the loss of tuition fees and other financial investments that the student has made towards their education.

Students may engage in plagiarism due to a lack of understanding, pressure, stress, lack of motivation, or a desire for good grades.

1. Some students may not fully understand what plagiarism is and how to avoid it. They may not realize that copying and pasting information from the internet or other sources without proper citation is considered plagiarism.
2. Many students face significant pressure and stress in their academic pursuits. They may have tight deadlines, multiple assignments, and high expectations from their professors or parents.

To avoid plagiarism, I will use the following strategies:

1. Always Quote the website.
2. When using the exact words from someone's else conversation use the quotation marks around those words, then cite the words using a citation style approved by the University (like APA style citation) references and quotations should not be more than 10 percent of your total paper.
3. Another way to avoid plagiarism is rather than simply quote the source, put the author's ideas in your own words which is called paraphrasing and it should also be referenced.
4. Another method to avoid plagiarism is to summarize, which requires balancing source material with our own ideas. A summary is a broader overview of your source.

References:

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