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The University of Virginia, whose student honor code dates from 1842, weathered a plagiarism scandal in May 2001, when 122 students were accused of copying research papers. Virginia is not unique. Increasingly, universities are taking a get-tough stance against student plagiarism and cheating. Why? College students are welcomed into a world-wide academic community, one with a collegial atmosphere and high standards of academic integrity. Plagiarism is a serious violation of this integrity.

At St. Louis Community College (STLCC), the Faculty Resource Guide states: “Plagiarism is a serious academic offense. A student who deliberately or unintentionally submits as his or her own work an assignment which is in any part taken from another person’s work, without proper acknowledgement, is guilty of plagiarism.” But how can instructors know that students are submitting their own work, not papers bought off the Internet? Researchers make three suggestions: teach students how to research, assign unusual writing topics, and make students use a plagiarism detector. Let’s examine these ideas.

First, instructors must actively teach research and documentation. They cannot assume that students have had this training because elementary school students sometimes copy whole articles from encyclopedias verbatim. High School and college students often modify this practice and copy whole paragraphs without giving credit to sources. Students unfamiliar with research need practice exercises to help them decide what needs citing. Such practice is crucial, since research shows that “some students . . . view almost anything . . . on the Internet as general knowledge that does not
Some STLCC English students must staple copies of sources used to their finished papers; they must also highlight information used so that instructors know they quoted, paraphrased or summarized accurately, without plagiarizing. Instead of just dumping in quotes, students learn the most basic rule of research: Source material, whether quoted, paraphrased, or summarized, supports a writer’s thesis by anticipating a reader’s questions and need for proof. Thus, students ask what a reader needs to know and which source best delivers that information. Students need this hands-on practice in researching.

Next, educators like retired English professor Robert Harris challenge instructors to stop assigning the same boring topics every semester. Some instructors have already gotten creative. For example, history students research genealogy and compile their family trees. Psychology students analyze gender stereotypes in color, theme, and sentiment of “Congratulations on Your New Baby” cards. These students must do their own writing—these quirky topics decrease chances that students can simply buy papers off the Internet.

Finally, educators advocate using plagiarism detectors as a deterrent. These programs “promote originality in student work [and] improve student writing and research skills” by flagging suspicious wording so that students can rewrite in their own vocabulary and voice. Instructors want to reach inexperienced writers who plagiarize mistakenly. Teacher John Waltman defines intentional plagiarism as “wholesale copying . . . with the intention of representing [work] as one’s own” and unintentional plagiarism as “careless paraphrasing and citing . . . such that improper or misleading credit is given.” According to Dr. Vicki Ritts, professor of psychology at STLCC, some student plagiarists exhibit the illusion of invulnerability—the “other students might get caught, but not me”

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7. IParadigms, “Turnitin.”
attitude.\textsuperscript{9} Lafayette High uses plagiarism detectors “not to hurt students, but rather to teach them,”\textsuperscript{10} says English teacher Diane Tinucci. Now Meramec instructors use Turnitin to teach unintentional plagiarizers and catch intentional ones.

Inexperienced writers often plagiarize by mistake. Obviously, the penalty varies with the severity of the offense and the writer's intention. In some cases, the unintentional plagiarist might be allowed to revise the paper. The intentional plagiarist will fail the course. Why? Members of the academic community do their own work in order to learn; students should as well. Simply put, trying to pass someone else's work off as your own is stealing.

\textsuperscript{9} Ritts, interview by Jean Sherry, December 3, 2002.
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1. University of Virginia, “Cheating Scandal.”


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