



**UNIVERSITY OF NAIROBI**

## **UNIVERSITY OF NAIROBI PLAGIARISM POLICY**

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## **VISION, MISSION AND CORE VALUES**

### **VISION**

A world-class university committed to scholarly excellence

### **MISSION**

To provide quality university education and training and to embody the aspirations of the Kenyan people and the global community through creation, preservation, integration, transmission and utilization of knowledge

### **CORE VALUES**

- Freedom of thought and expression
- Innovativeness and creativity
- Good corporate governance
- Team spirit and teamwork
- Professionalism
- Quality customer service
- Responsible corporate citizenship and strong social responsibility
- Respect for and conservation of the environment.

## FOREWORD

The University of Nairobi is the largest university in Kenya and one of the largest in East Africa. It has a student population of over 60,000 and also has the largest number of senior academic members of staff in the region. The University offers more than 4,000 academic programmes spread over six colleges and several campuses spread all over the major cities and towns in Kenya. The University thus produces massive academic output in terms of scholarly work. To ensure scholarly excellence and ethical practices in teaching, learning, research and consultancy, the University is committed to curbing plagiarism, hence the development and institutionalization of this policy on plagiarism.

The University of Nairobi plagiarism policy is a product of a thorough review of a number of policies drawn from international and regional practices and is intended to be a hallmark of university maintenance of academic integrity by both the students and staff. The policy strives to strengthen two key core values highlighted in the University strategic plan of 2008 – 2013. These are **innovativeness and creativity**, which are intended to be the mark of a cornerstone in implementation of the university activities as they are initiated, as well as adapting to change and **professionalism** that should be embedded in all actions and interactions, to ensure maintenance of ethical behavior, professional etiquette and honesty.

The policy espouses the framework for determination, detection and management of plagiarism in consistency with the goals for the achievement of university quality aspirations as expressed in the quality statement. This policy is intended to promote and educate students and staff about academic integrity, and to protect the interests of students, faculty and the University. As such, the plagiarism policy outlines the general vision and commitment of the University with regard to integrity requirements in the execution of academic programmes, creation and dissemination of research knowledge, targeted at promoting excellence in scholarly output.



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