

# Getting started with Turnitin

## Enabling Turnitin submission on an Assignment activity

Assignments submitted to Moodle can, in turn, be submitted to Turnitin. **It is important to note however, that this functionality must be enabled at the time of setting up the relevant Assignment activity.**



New and current users of the Moodle/Turnitin integration should also refer to the following forum post: [Turnitin errors within the Assignment activity](#).

If Turnitin functionality is (only) enabled after the first assignment submission has been made, not all submissions will be sent to Turnitin. Similarly, if Turnitin settings are amended following the first submission, some assignments may return an error (e.g. 127, 204, 206). **It is important therefore not to amend such settings if at all possible.**



Prior to embarking on the steps below, you may wish to consider the information listed at: [Creating an Assignment activity](#).

Please note that the Available from and Due Dates fields must not be disabled and must be set. **If these fields are disabled, the Turnitin integration may not function correctly.**

- The maximum file size that can be submitted to Turnitin is 40mb, so please make sure the relevant field on this page matches this figure (or is lower).
- Scrolling down the relevant page, you will see a range of options relating to Turnitin specifically - these are displayed below.

### Turnitin plagiarism plugin settings

The screenshot shows the Turnitin plagiarism plugin settings form. The 'Enable Turnitin' dropdown is set to 'No', and the 'Display Originality Reports to Students' dropdown is set to 'Yes'. Other settings include 'When should the file be submitted to Turnitin?' set to 'Submit file when first uploaded', 'Allow submission of any file type?' set to 'No', and 'Store Student Papers' set to 'Standard Repository'. A blue note box states: 'Note: If you do not select "Yes" for at least one of the "Check against..." options below then an Originality report will NOT be generated.' Below this, 'Check against stored student papers', 'Check against internet', and 'Check against journals, periodicals and publications' are all set to 'Yes'. 'Report Generation Speed' is set to 'Generate reports immediately (students can resubmit until due date): After :'. 'Exclude Bibliography', 'Exclude Quoted Material', and 'Exclude Small Matches' are all set to 'No'. There is an empty text input field at the bottom.

- To enable the Turnitin related options, you must change the dropdown for **Enable Turnitin** from **No** to **Yes**. This will remove the greyed out nature of the drop down boxes below this option.
- The options outlined in the image above indicate some recommended settings, but these can be changed at the discretion of the person setting up the Assignment activity.
- When you have selected options as desired, scroll to the bottom of the page and press **Save and return to course**.