



Plagiarism Policy

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1.1.1. Plagiarism, Similarity Test and Open Defense

- a) Under no circumstances shall a dissertation based on plagiarized research be acceptable. It is the primary responsibility of both PhD researchers and their supervisors to prevent plagiarism.
- b) For Plagiarism COPE guidelines must be followed.
- c) If a PhD dissertation is found to be plagiarized, it will be handled in accordance with the BMU Anti-Plagiarism Policy A similarity test, in accordance with the BMU Anti-Plagiarism Policy, must be conducted on the dissertation before its submission to the external experts by the student.
- d) An open defense of the dissertation is required after positive evaluation of the dissertation by committee members. In general, the following minimum principles and guidelines shall be ensured:
 - i. Public Announcement: On the university website and other forums of communication, so that anyone interested can participate.
 - ii. Neutral Chair: To ensure that defense was conducted fairly and in accordance with the rules and regulations.
 - iii. Review Committee: To evaluate the dissertation and defense. iv. Presentation: of the dissertation by the PhD researcher
 - iv. Question and Answer Session: To provide a basis for defense evaluation.
 - v. Objective Evaluation: based on the quality of the research and the researcher's ability to defend.
 - vi. Final Decision: expressed in the following terms:
 - Pass or
 - Pass with minor amendments or
 - Deferred for resubmission and re-defense or.
 - Fail (in exceptional circumstances and for the reasons to be recorded by the defense committee).