

Avoiding plagiarism

Plagiarism is a serious academic offence that may result in severe penalties, including expulsion from the University. But academic offences can be avoided if you are careful.

An exercise in avoiding plagiarism

This is an exercise designed to highlight how plagiarism can occur and, by implication, how to avoid it. In addition the exercise will show you how to cite your sources and to reference the sources in a bibliography.

Here is a document that is an [excerpt from an economics term paper](#) (.pdf). It deliberately includes several examples of plagiarism as well as bad practice that should be avoided.

Your task is to identify plagiarism and bad referencing practice in the document. To make the task easier, see [relevant source materials](#) (.pdf).

- See the [solution to the exercise](#) (.pdf)

If you have any questions or comments about the exercise, please contact [Gianluigi Vernasca](#).