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This means that the information used in the text is based on other sources. There is resemblance of the information contained in the text to information used by other authors and students. This indicates the lack of originality of the ideas, concepts and statistics used in the text. In addition, there is direct assimilation of information and ideas into the text without crediting the sources appropriately.

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Some sources of matching text are cited incorrectly. This means that the contents of the text are closely similar to those contained in the original sources. This is due to copy-pasting of information especially from the internet documents and sites. In addition, this is attributable to poor paraphrasing, poor expression and summary of ideas and poor use of statistics as well as information in the text.

To remedy this error, I should provide appropriate citations for information and ideas adopted from other authors. It is fundamental to identify factors resulting to citation errors, and identify techniques that can be used to ensure appropriate citation. This involves identifying a method of citing sources, use of sentences that acknowledge the author, and use of endnotes, footnotes as well as parenthetical references. I should also familiarize myself <https://assignbuster.com/the-report/>

with different citation styles so that I can learn how to cite correctly.

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Improvement of ensuring adherence to ethical behavior and academic integrity

Several improvements can be made to ensure that academic work meets ethical behavior as well as academic integrity standards. Principally, use of and correct citation of information obtained through personal researchers and studies can significantly improve adherence to ethical behaviors and academic integrity. In addition, development of paraphrasing and summarizing skills can improve ethical standards in order to avoid plagiarism. The form of citation used should be appropriate for the specific discipline. It is important to consult the discipline tutor on appropriateness of citation method adopted.

Importance of the report

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From the turnitin report, I have learned that information and ideas should be well understood and inferred before they are included in a text. Ideas and information acquired from other authors should be adequately credited by correctly citing the sources of the information. In addition, text similarity adversely affects the quality and originality of assignments and essays. This report has created an awareness on the instructors expectations and has enabled me identify a way of achieving academic excellence.

With the acquired information, I will advance my paraphrasing, note taking and summarizing skills as well as give credit to the information as well as ideas used. Besides, I will be able to determine the appropriateness of citations in a text. Consequently, this information has formed a foundation for maintaining ethical academic standards and academic integrity.

Reference

Walden University. (2011). Turnitin Originality Report. Tallahassee: Walden Writing Center TII Dropbox.