

# Webinar :Turnitin Similarity Detection System

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**Doctorat**

# Why is it necessary to use a similarity detection program?

- The manuscript of the thesis must be an original work
  - Original thinking is the key to student success
  - Empower students to do their best, original work
- It helps us to improve the manuscript of the thesis, for example:
  - Correcting unconscious "self-plagiarism"
  - Appropriately cite the original text of other authors.

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Gestió de les dades de recerca

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Dipòsit online de la tesi

Publicitat de les tesis depositades

Publicitat dels tribunals aprovats

Defensa de la tesi

Properes defenses de tesis

Com publicar tesis

Tesi per compendi

Menció Doctor Internacional

Menció de Doctor Industrial (procediment)

Cotutela internacional

Tesis sota protecció

**Detecció de similituds (Turnitin)**

Filosofia

Història Comparada, Política i Social

Traducció i Estudis Interculturals

### Ciències

Aqüicultura

Biodiversitat

Bioinformàtica

Biologia Cel·lular

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Microbiologia

Química

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Antropologia Social i Cultural

Ciència Política, Polítiques Públiques i Relacions Internacionals

Ciències de l'Esport

Comunicació Audiovisual i Publicitat

Comunicació Estratègica, Publicitat i Relacions Públiques

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Educació

Estudis de Gènere: Cultures, Societats i Polítiques

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Mitjans, Comunicació i Cultura

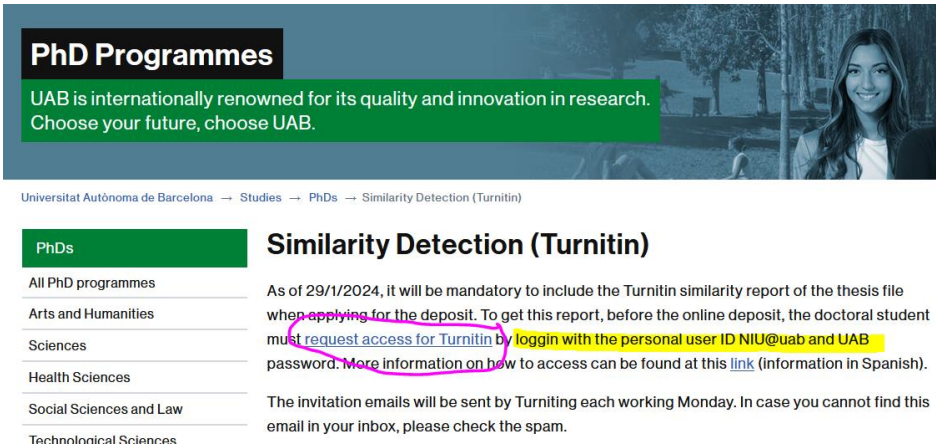
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Information on how to access Turnitin can be found on the Doctoral School webpage:

<https://www.uab.cat/web/studies/phds/all-phd-programmes-1345666995270.html>

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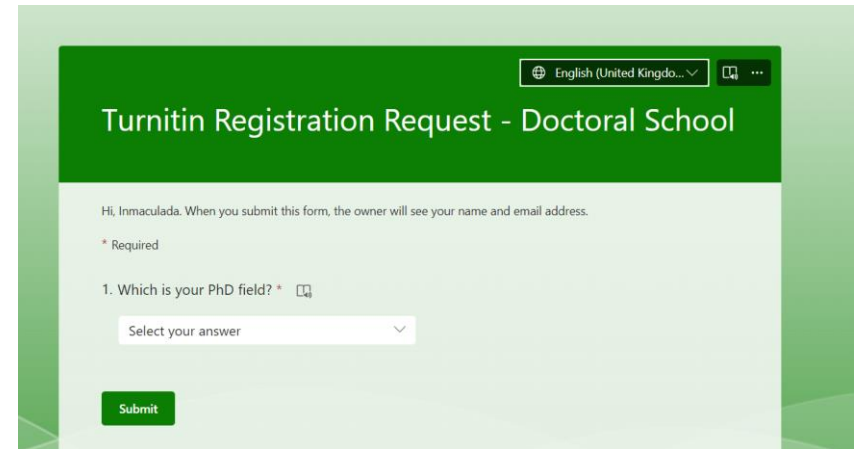
Social Sciences and Law

Technological Sciences

### Similarity Detection (Turnitin)

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The invitation emails will be sent by Turniting each working Monday. In case you cannot find this email in your inbox, please check the spam.



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## Turnitin Registration Request - Doctoral School

Hi, Inmaculada. When you submit this form, the owner will see your name and email address.

\* Required

1. Which is your PhD field? \*

Select your answer

Submit


**IMPORTANT:** for accessing Turnitin-forms you must log in with :

- your personal user ID: **NIU@uab.cat**
- **UAB password.**

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After sending the Turnitin-form, the following information appears:



Dear researcher,

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Sincerely,  
Management of the Doctoral School  
Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona

Important thing you can do next

[Save my response](#)

And also, you will receive an e-mail in your institutional account

[TURNITIN] Sol·licitud d'alta a Turnitin (Confirmació de recepció)

Dear Inmaculada,

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In case you are experiencing any problems with your institutional email address, please contact [cas@uab.cat](mailto:cas@uab.cat).  
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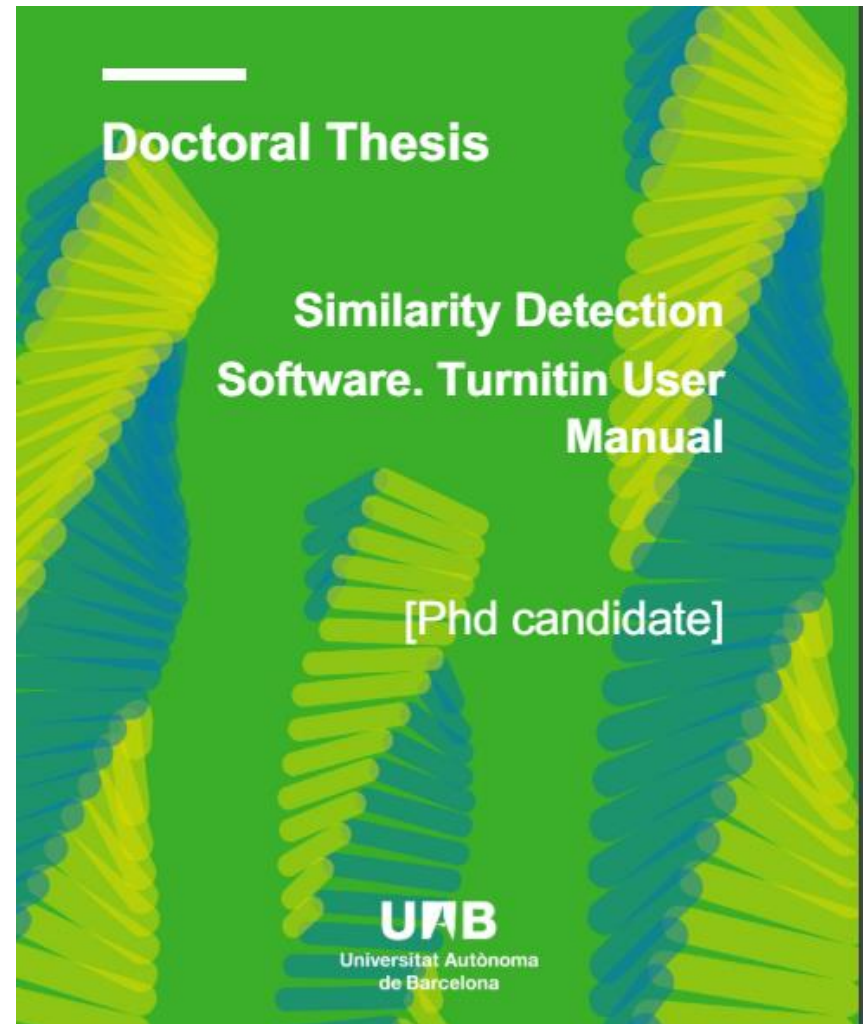
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# Turnitin User Manual

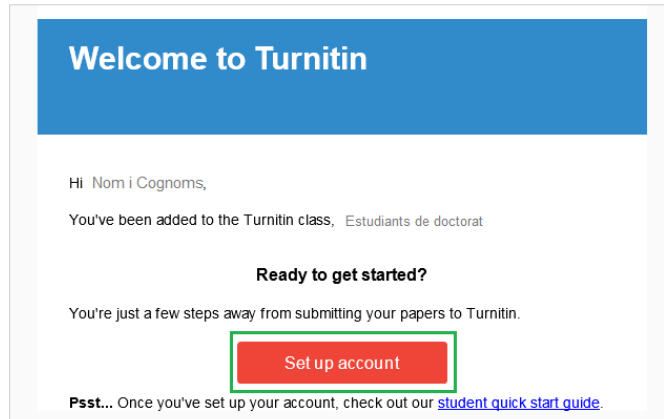
- SET UP YOUR TURNITIN ACCOUNT
- LOG IN TO YOUR CLASS HOMEPAGE
- HOW TO SUBMIT A DOCUMENT AND DETECT SIMILARITIES
- TURNITIN-REPORT



# Turnitin User Manual: SET UP YOUR TURNITIN ACCOUNT

## A. SET UP YOUR TURNITIN ACCOUNT

In order to start using this tool, you will need to receive a welcome email from the tool administrator. This email will be sent to your institutional account (@autonoma.cat or @uab.cat). Please review both accounts.



1. Activate your account by clicking **Set up account**.
2. The following screen will be displayed.

3. Enter the **Institutional email account** where you received the invitation in the field **Email Address**.

**NOTE.** The email address needs to be the same to which the welcome email was sent.

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**name.surname@autonoma.cat**  
**(never with the format NIU@uab.cat).**

# Turnitin User Manual: SET UP YOUR TURNITIN ACCOUNT

4. In the field **Last Name or Family Name**, enter your surname.



A screenshot of a web form with a blue header and a white input field. The header text is 'Last Name or Family Name'. Below the input field, there is a small note: 'You can find this information in your Turnitin welcome email.'

**NOTE.** The surname needs to be spelled as in your Turnitin welcome email.

5. Click **Next**.



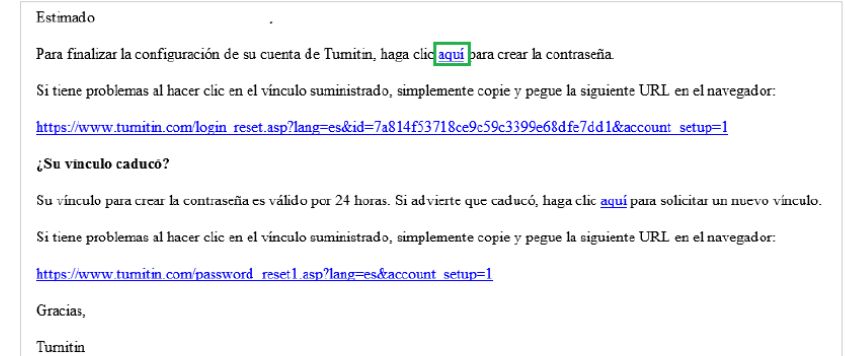
A blue rectangular button with the word 'Next' in white text.

6. You will receive an email to validate your account.



7. Check your inbox.  
In case you cannot find the validation email, please check your spam folder.

Click the first link to create your Turnitin password.



**IMPORTANT.** This password needs to be different from that associated to your NIU.

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# Turnitin User Manual: LOG IN TO YOUR CLASS HOMEPAGE

Once your account has been set up, follow these steps to start using the tool:

1. Go to <https://www.turnitin.com/> and click Login.



2. Enter your institutional email address and your Turnitin password. Afterwards, click Log in.

A screenshot of the Turnitin login page. At the top is the Turnitin logo. Below it is a blue header with the text 'Log in to Turnitin'. The main form area is white and contains two input fields: 'Email address' and 'Password'. Below the 'Password' field are three buttons: 'Log In', 'Sign in with Google', and 'Log in with Clever'.

Once logged in, the class homepage created for PhD candidates will be displayed.

# Turnitin User Manual: LOG IN TO YOUR CLASS HOMEPAGE

When clicking to open it, a table with two lines will be displayed. Each line corresponds to one exercise, one submission:

- a. **ESBORNANYS DE TESI** (thesis draft) - You can upload a draft of your thesis and detect similarities.
- b. **DOCUMENT FINAL DE TESI** (thesis final version) - You can upload the final version of your thesis and detect similarities.

**Class Homepage**

This is your Class Homepage. To access more information about the assignment, click the "Open" button.

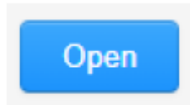
Assignment Inbox: Bioinformàtica				
Assignment Title	Dates			
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	Due	30-Dec-2024	11:59PM	
	Post	30-Dec-2024	11:59PM	
DOCUMENT FINAL TESI	Start	18-Jun-2022	7:25PM	<a href="#">Open</a>
	Due	30-Dec-2024	11:59PM	
	Post	30-Dec-2024	11:59PM	

For each one you can also:

- See the due date for submissions.
- Open it to submit your work.

# Turnitin User Manual: HOW TO SUBMIT A DOCUMENT

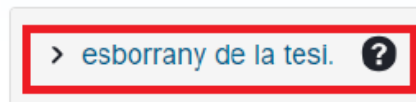
1. Click the folder where you wish to submit your work.
2. Click **Open**.



3. Before you proceed,
  - a. we advise checking that the file you'd like to submit will be accepted. Check out the [accepted file types and sizes](#) before you begin.
  - b. check the assignment details by selecting the assignment title bar:

## About this page

This is your assignment dashboard. You can view your grades and similarity reports that have been received.



- c. Remember only a single file may be submitted to a Turnitin assignment. Any second or subsequent submission will overwrite the original submission in this assignment.

# Turnitin User Manual: HOW TO SUBMIT A DOCUMENT

Submit File

Upload    Review    Complete

Upload Submission    Text Input    Cloud Submission

Submission Title: Untitled

Submission File: Tria un fitxer No s'ha triat cap fitxer

Upload and Review

Either from Google Drive, OneDrive or Dropbox.

Cloud Submission

- Google Drive™
- OneDrive™
- Dropbox™

5. Click the **Upload and Review** button.

Upload and Review

6. A brief resumé of the file you are to submit will be displayed.

Submit File

Upload    Review    Complete

Title: test - en

File Size: 581.44 KiB

Word Count: 808

Submit to an assignment

Preparing to submit

Page 1 of 5

Preview Submission    Cancel Submission    Submit to Turnitin

7. Before you submit you will have an opportunity to check that the file you are about to submit is correct.

8. If you are happy with the file, select **Submit to Turnitin** to submit your assignment.

9. A submission confirmation will be displayed. Please do not leave the page until you see this confirmation.

Submit File

Upload    Review    Complete






Submission Complete!

# Turnitin User Manual:

## TURNITIN-REPORT

10. Once the analysis has been completed, the following information will be displayed.

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Paper Title	Uploaded	Grade	Similarity
test - en	21 May 2024 15:31	--	96%   

11. To see the results, click the %.

### Similarity

 96%

12. A new screen will pop up with the submission and the similarities detected (it can take a while).

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Feedback Studio > Turnitin > Student > Submit to an assignment

## Submit to an assignment

### Preparing to submit

To submit a paper to an assignment on Turnitin, the user must log in and upload a file to an existing assignment.

Assignments in Turnitin cannot accept student submissions until the assignment start date and time has passed.

Assignments may also reject submissions after the due date and time set by the instructor.

To check the start date and due date information, either click on the name of the assignment in the class portfolio page or view the start and due dates located under the assignment name.



This action opens a pop-up window showing assignment preference information, including start and due dates/times as well as other assignment information or special instructions.

- Log in to [turnitin.com](https://turnitin.com) (or [turnitinuk.com](https://turnitinuk.com) if you're in the UK).

See our [logging in guide](#) if you can't quite remember how to log in to Turnitin.

- Once you've logged in, you should see your homepage listing the [classes you enrolled in](#).
- Select the name of the class where you'd like to upload a file.

This will take you to your Class Homepage for that class.

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# Turnitin User Manual: TURNITIN-REPORT

13. Click the number to see the whole information.

The screenshot shows the 'Match Overview' window. At the top, it displays a similarity score of 96%. Below the score, there are navigation arrows and the text 'Currently viewing standard sources'. A button labeled 'View English Sources' is visible. The 'Matches' section lists three items:

Rank	Source	Similarity
1	listens.online Internet Source	92%
2	perpustakaan.umj.ac.id Internet Source	2%
3	www.coursehero.com Internet Source	1%

To see more details, click the source.

The screenshot shows the 'Match Breakdown' window for the source 'listens.online'. It displays a similarity score of 92% and a list of matches:

Rank	Source	Similarity
1	listens.online Internet Source	92%

Below this, a list of individual matches is shown:

• phd/assignments-due-date	92%
• homework/need-help-in-as...	92%
• paper/assignment-due-date	92%
• paper/my-assignment-sub...	92%
• phd/submit-your-assignme...	39%
• thesis/turnitin-essay-submi...	17%

At the bottom, another source is listed:

• help.turnitin.com Internet Source - 21 urls	72%
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14. Click the filter icon to see all sources.

The screenshot shows the 'All Sources' window. It displays a similarity score of 96% and a list of sources:

Source	Similarity
listens.online Internet Source - 6 urls	95%
help.turnitin.com Internet Source - 32 urls	75%
qa-help.turnitin.com Internet Source - 6 urls	75%
guides.turnitin.com Internet Source - 6 urls	47%

15. You can add some filters to see more or less sources.

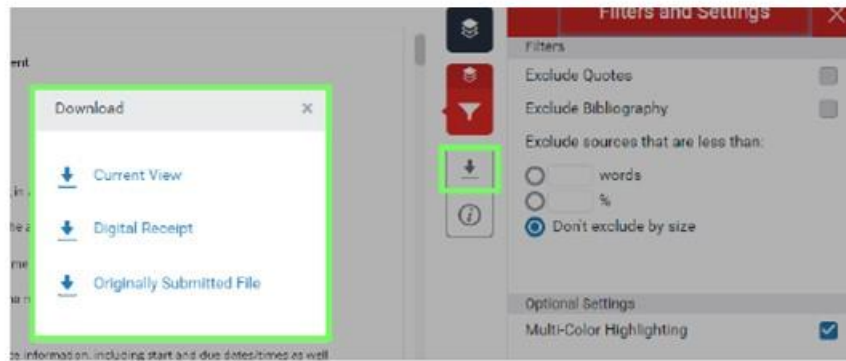
The screenshot shows the 'Filters and Settings' window. It includes the following options:

- Exclude Quotes:
- Exclude Bibliography:
- Exclude sources that are less than:
  - words
  - %
  - Don't exclude by size
- Optional Settings
  - Multi-Color Highlighting:

**IMPORTANT.** These filters only affect the way the information is displayed not the final similarity results.

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16. To download the current view, the digital receipt of your submission or the originally submitted file, click the arrow (icon for download).



17. Once the file has been submitted, you can submit it again by clicking.



**IMPORTANT.** Please bear in mind that when resubmitting a file, the previous one is overwritten. If you want to keep the first analysis result, download it and save it to your computer before resubmission.

18. The submitted document can be downloaded by clicking the icon for download.



19. The Digital Receipt can be downloaded by clicking the icon



# Turnitin User Manual: TURNITIN-REPORT

## TEXTO DE PRUEBA PARA EL PROGRAMA TURNITIN (JUNIO 2021)

Este documento contiene un texto para poder realizar un ejercicio con el programa Turnitin. Este programa está pensado para la detección de similitudes entre un texto prueba y otros documentos ya publicados, es decir es un programa para detectar plagio.

En el texto que vamos a probar hemos introducido fragmentos originales y fragmentos tomados íntegramente de artículos, de libros y de algunas páginas de internet. Cuando queremos usar fragmentos de un texto que ya ha sido publicado y que no se considere plagio, es necesario especificar que estamos citando un texto que no es original, hay que citar la fuente y además hay que poner el fragmento que estamos transcribiendo entre comillas. El programa Turnitin, cuando analiza un documento detecta los fragmentos de texto entrecomillados y los excluye del análisis.

Por otro lado, en el texto hay fragmentos que están en inglés, en castellano y en catalán. El programa es capaz de traducir un texto en castellano al inglés y mirar si hay coincidencias con el texto traducido en inglés, y del mismo modo también puede traducir textos de inglés al castellano y mirar si hay coincidencias con el texto traducido en castellano. Esta opción no existe para el catalán, es decir que un texto en catalán solo será analizado sobre textos en catalán.

El programa también permite parametrizar cuando va a considerar que una similitud entre dos textos sea realmente una coincidencia. Los parámetros que se usan para restringir las coincidencias son el número de palabras. Es decir que para se considere una coincidencia debe existir una coincidencia mínima de un número determinado de palabras.

El documento que vamos a usar se enmarca en una solicitud de un aspirante a astronauta a la agencia espacial europea. La Agencia Espacial Europea (ESA) es la puerta de entrada de Europa al espacio. Su misión es dar forma al desarrollo de la capacidad espacial de Europa y garantizar que la inversión en el espacio continúe aportando beneficios a los ciudadanos de Europa y del mundo. En su página web encontramos el siguiente texto para describir los objetivos de esta agencia. "This is the European Space Agency, dedicated to the peaceful exploration and use of space for the benefit of humankind. Established in 1975, we work together with our 22 Member States to push the frontiers of science and technology and promote economic growth in Europe. Space is the future and through ESA we are all part of it".

El espacio nos ofrece una oportunidad increíble de experimentar, descubrir e innovar. Los descubrimientos de los científicos de la ESA tienen aplicaciones prácticas, tanto en la Tierra como en el espacio. Además de desarrollar la astronomía, la ciencia planetaria y la astrofísica, los científicos de la ESA trabajan para cultivar alimentos en el espacio, buscar vida en Marte o encontrar modos de medir el cambio climático.

La Agencia ha lanzado una convocatoria de reclutamiento de candidatos a astronautas en el 2021. A pesar de que las cifras aún no son definitivas, los datos preliminares indican que más de 22.000 personas presentaron su candidatura. La última vez que la Agencia lanzó una convocatoria de reclutamiento como esta, en 2008, el número de candidatos que enviaron un certificado médico y completaron el formulario de candidatura ascendió a 8.413. Se han recibido candidaturas desde todos los Estados miembros y miembros asociados, incluida Lituania, cuyos ciudadanos recientemente se incorporaron a la selección gracias al nuevo estatus de este país como miembro asociado de la Agencia.

Uno de los documentos que se debían entregar para participar en la convocatoria era una carta de motivación. A continuación, se muestra la carta de uno de los candidatos.

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### ORIGINALITY REPORT

25%	25%	10%	8%
SIMILARITY INDEX	INTERNET SOURCES	PUBLICATIONS	STUDENT PAPERS

### MATCH ALL SOURCES (ONLY SELECTED SOURCE PRINTED)

6%

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Internet Source

Exclude quotes	Off	Exclude matches	Off
Exclude bibliography	Off		

# Turnitin User Manual: TURNITIN FAQs

- **What is the UAB criterion to know if there is plagiarism in a thesis? Is it determined from a percentage X?**
- **The problem is that various chapters or parts of my thesis are published (or are in the online repository), so the programme detects a high similarity level in these chapters. Is it considered plagiarism?**
- **For the bibliography, the programme usually reports a high level of similarity. How can I exclude this from the total % of similarity?**
- **As far as my thesis is concerned, as a PhD student, how should I justify this level of similarity (similarities due to publication of articles, etc.)?**

# Turnitin Information

➤ You will find a set of resources to help you learn more about this software in this link

([Catalan/Spanish/English](#)):

- PhD students [User's guide](#)
- Turnitin FAQ

➤ You can also find support guidelines on [Turnitin's website](#).

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The features and functionality available to you are based on the license purchased by your institution. Consult your administrator for more information.

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**Instructor**

Create classes and assignments to manage and assess your students' submissions.

**Student**

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