



# LEARN TO WRITE ACADEMICALLY AND AVOID PLAGIARISM

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It is necessary to use and verify scientific papers (articles, books, dissertations, etc.) in an academic text in order to observe all the principles of academic integrity.

Academic integrity is based on a sense of responsibility, respect, trust, fairness and dignity in academic activities.

# RULES TO FOLLOW WHEN ACADEMICALLY VERIFYING SOMEONE ELSE'S OPINION:

#### **CITATION:**

Extract quotes from trusted scientific sources. Only use the quote if it will help you support the argument.

#### **PARAPHRASING:**

Paraphrasing in academic papers is necessary. In such a case, you leave the content of someone else's opinion unchanged and convey 90% of the text in synonymous words and phrases. It is necessary to verify the source. The volume of the paraphrased text and the original text are approximately similar.

#### **SUMMARY:**

Summarize someone else's scientific paper or an excerpt from the text and, of course, cite the source. The volume of the text is significantly reduced. This method can be used to write a literature review chapter and a theoretical framework.

### CLEARLY SEPARATE YOUR OWN AND OTHERS' OPINIONS IN THE TEXT:

Following the rules of summarizing, cite a source and then express your opinion. When paraphrasing and summarizing, you should mention the scientist (or group of scientists) to whom the particular opinion belongs. After verifying the source, critically consider the above opinion: compare the other's concept; agree, share or reject the author's statements based on your own argument.

## LEARN ABOUT DIFFERENT CITATION STYLES AND GUIDES WRITTEN ABOUT THEM:

Caucasus University most often uses the so-called APA style. You can find the guide and certification rules on the Caucasus University website. You can also find information using the Google search engine.

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