Plagiarism is the act of passing off someone else's work as your own without giving credit to the original author. Some universities may give first–year students more lenient treatment when punishing them for plagiarism, but this is not always the case – it is important to familiarize yourself with your university's specific policy on plagiarism. Other activities that may constitute plagiarism include... As mentioned in Section 5.4, universities strongly condemn this behavior.