

Research ethics and plagiarism are considered as major criteria in publishing research work. We strongly agree that, plagiarism in any form should be avoided. The plagiarised work published by an individual will degrade the reputation of the individual and the institution as well. Hence, the individual staff member as well as the institute takes absolute care to avoid plagiarism when preparing and submitting research works in reputed journals, conferences, and books in order to maintain elevated academic and production standards.

The principal objective of the institution is to encourage the research and publications. In order to maintain high standard in research and support high quality research, the institute strictly follows the code of ethics during the submission of research work of the students and researcher who produce their work in the form of thesis, research proposals, research papers, research articles, and project reports.

Guidelines for Research Publications:

The Institute monitors research publications of the faculty researchers and the students in the following methods.

- An ethics board has been formed comprising of all PhD holders of the institution and the members of the institute's Research & Development cell provide guidelines based on the requirements of various bodies and also analyse the research publications, research proposal and the thesis work. Project report submitted by the students are also subjected to scrutiny and checked by project coordinators.
- When the research work of the faculty, Post Graduate (PG) and Under Graduate students is submitted in the form of journal/ conference paper, it must go through the process of similarity check. Similarity report is generated for the journal/ conference manuscript before submission and approval has to be obtained from the ethics board member.
- The ethics board also takes additional measures to guarantee the standard of the research article with an internal scrutiny by the internal experts related to that field.
- All the departments of the institute have recognised Ph.D supervisors from the Anna University, who has the unrestricted access to the well known plagiarism detecting software called Urkund. Before sending the research manuscript, the recognised Ph.D supervisors ensure to reduce the plagiarism level, if required.
- The faculty, students and the research scholars are requested to use Urkund, the plagiarism detection software, provided by Anna University Chennai for discovering plagiarism in the manuscript. All the research articles are submitted to the journal/conference along with the Urkund report. The ethics board member approves the journal/conference paper submission only when the plagiarism level is less than 20% (maximum allowed limit)
- Any violation of research ethics, other issues, and complaint regarding plagiarism attracts disciplinary action to be imposed by the ethics board of the institution. Depending on the nature and the severity of plagiarism as well as the raised complaint, the ethics board will take the possible disciplinary action.

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