

I. DEFINITION

According to the definition in « Le Petit Robert », plagiarism consists of “appropriating someone else’s words or ideas and presenting them as one’s own.”

In the context of graded assignments, plagiarism constitutes academic dishonesty, the consequences of which can be severe: a grade of zero for the offending work, expulsion from the institution, and permanent exclusion from all French higher education institutions.

In terms of intellectual property, plagiarism constitutes a criminal offense.

II. WHAT THE BORDEAUX INP ACADEMIC REGULATIONS SAY

Article 3 I-5 Plagiarism · Plagiarism consists of presenting as one’s own work that which was produced by another, regardless of the source (book, internet, another student’s work, etc.). Plagiarism constitutes academic dishonesty under Article 3 I-2 of the academic regulations. If a group project contains plagiarized material, all members of the group are held responsible. Each student is required to review the anti-plagiarism policy available on the school’s extranet.

Article 3 I-2 · Conduct of Exams (Absences, Access to Exam Rooms, General Organizational Guidelines, Violations, Cheating). The investigation of cheating falls under the jurisdiction of the Bordeaux INP Board of Directors, which acts as the disciplinary body with authority over students in accordance with the provisions of the Education Code. The case is referred to the Board’s Chair. Penalties for a student may range from a simple warning to permanent expulsion from all French institutions of higher education.

III. WHAT THE LAW SAYS: PLAGIARISM IS A CRIME

Article L.122-4 of the Intellectual Property Code : “Any representation or reproduction, in whole or in part, made without the consent of the author or his or her successors in title or assigns constitutes an offense. The same applies to translation, adaptation, or transformation, arrangement, or reproduction by any art or process.”

IV. EXAMPLES OF PENALTIES

The disciplinary section of Bordeaux INP pronounced the following sanctions, among others:

- June 2016

> Suspended expulsion for one year, with the semester invalidated

> Expulsion for two years, one of which is suspended, with the semester invalidated

- March 2026:

> Suspended expulsion for one year, with the relevant set of exams invalidated

V. GOOD TO KNOW

Your own writing must be clearly distinguished from material written by another author. If a passage is quoted verbatim, it must be placed in quotation marks, often in italics, and the source must be cited (including the author’s name, if available, and the specific reference). This also applies to texts found on the internet as well as anonymous texts. When another author’s text is summarized, paraphrased (reproducing the structure of the source text but using synonyms), rephrased, or translated, the specific source must also be clearly indicated.

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