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1. Preamble

The Policy on the Prevention of Plagiarism and Dealing with Academic Writing Misconduct is underpinned by the principle that the University of the Free State (UFS) is founded on scholarship and scientific research. To give effect to these principles the UFS, through this policy, contributes towards instilling the fundamental values of academic integrity and scientific discourse, high standards and ethics in all academic endeavours. Plagiarism and academic writing misconduct are seen as serious concerns and are subject to strict corrective actions. The University distinguishes between plagiarism and academic writing misconduct and applies two distinct measures in response to confirmed incidents (see Paragraph 6).

2. Purpose

In striving to maintain and enhance sound academic and research practices, scientific discourse and the integrity of academic writing at the UFS, this policy aims to:

- 2.1 promote a fair and consistent approach towards dealing with confirmed cases of plagiarism and academic writing misconduct;
- 2.2 establish a didactic and developmental process to prevent plagiarism;
- 2.3 outline the developmental and disciplinary measures with regard to confirmed incidents of plagiarism or academic writing misconduct;
- 2.4 propose the responsibilities of the faculties, academic staff and students; and
- 2.5 increase awareness of what constitutes plagiarism and academic writing misconduct, how to avoid it and its consequences.

3. Definition

Plagiarism implies direct duplication of the formulation and insights of a source text with the intention of presenting it as one's own work. Plagiarism cannot be confirmed as a result of mere similarities of words between the source text and the borrowed text as in the case of terminology, commonly used phrases and known facts. If plagiarism is suspected it must also be provable. The source text and borrowed text must therefore be placed side by side. The mere suspicion of plagiarism cannot form the basis of an accusation. Plagiarism is distinguished from forms of academic writing misconduct such as:

- 3.1 cribbing in tests and examinations;
- 3.2 collusion and fabrication or falsification of data;
- 3.3 deliberate dishonesty;
- 3.4 purchasing assignments, dissertations and/or theses on the Internet and presenting such documents as one's own work;
- 3.5 presenting the same work for more than one course or in consecutive years; and
- 3.6 the submission of another person's work as one's own original work.

1. Aanhef

Onderliggend aan die Beleid vir die Voorkoming van Plagiaat en die Hantering van Wangedrag ten opsigte van Akademiese Skryfwerk is die beginsel dat die Universiteit van die Vrystaat (UV) gegrond is op vakkundigheid en wetenskaplike navorsing. Om uitvoering te gee aan hierdie beginsels dra die UV deur hierdie beleid by tot die inskerping van die fundamentele waardes van akademiese integriteit en wetenskaplike diskloers, hoë akademiese standarde en etiek in alle akademiese strewes. Plagiaat en wangedrag ten opsigte van akademiese skryfwerk word as ernstige aangeleenthede beskou, en is onderworpe aan streng korrektiewe stappe. Die Universiteit onderskei tussen plagiaat en wangedrag ten opsigte van akademiese skryfwerk, en pas twee verskillende maatreëls toe in reaksie op bevestigde gevalle (kyk Paragraaf 6).

2. Doel

In sy streefe om goeie akademiese en navorsingspraktyke, wetenskaplike diskloers en die integriteit van akademiese skryfwerk aan die UV te handhaaf en te bevorder, beoog hierdie beleid om:

- 2.1 'n regverdige en konsekwente benadering tot die hantering van beweerde gevalle van plagiaat en wangedrag ten opsigte van akademiese skryfwerk te bevorder;
- 2.2 'n didaktiese en ontwikkelingsproses om plagiaat te voorkom, te vestig;
- 2.3 die ontwikkelings- en dissiplinêre maatreëls met betrekking tot bevestigde voorvalle van plagiaat of wangedrag ten opsigte van akademiese skryfwerk uit te stippel.
- 2.4 voorstelle te maak oor die verantwoordelikhede van die fakulteite, akademiese personeel en studente; en
- 2.5 bewusheid te verhoog van wat plagiaat en wangedrag ten opsigte van akademiese skryfwerk is, hoe om dit te vermy en die gevolge daarvan.

3. Definisie

Plagiaat impliseer direkte duplisering van die formulering en insigte van 'n bronteks met die bedoeling om dit as 'n mens se eie werk aan te bied. Plagiaat kan nie bevestig word op grond van blote ooreenkoms van woorde tussen die bronteks en die geleende teks nie, soos in die geval van terminologie, algemeen gebruikte frase en bekende feite. Indien plagiaat vermoed word moet dit bewys kan word. Die bronteks en geleende teks moet dus naas mekaar geplaas word. 'n Beskuldiging kan dus nie gegrond word op 'n blote vermoede van plagiaat nie. Plagiaat word onderskei van vorme van wangedrag ten opsigte van akademiese skryfwerk, byvoorbeeld:

- 3.1 afskryf in toetse en eksamens;
- 3.2 samewerking en fabrisering of vervalsing van data;
- 3.3 opsetlike oneerlikheid;
- 3.4 die koop van werkstukke, verhandelinge en/of proefskrifte op die Internet en die aanbieding daarvan as 'n mens se eie werk;
- 3.5 aanbieding van dieselfde werk vir meer as een kursus of in opeenvolgende jare; en
- 3.6 die indiening van 'n ander persoon se werk as 'n mens se eie oorspronklike werk.

4. Scope

The conditions of the policy apply to all UFS-affiliated staff members and students with reference to all:

- 4.1 faculties/units/programmes/departments/schools/directorates/centres and their activities;
- 4.2 all forms of assessment, including under- and postgraduate research in a programme of study designed to gain credits/recognition; and
- 4.3 academic activities, including contract research that are linked to recognition or financial reward.

5. Responsibilities

The UFS undertakes to ensure as far as possible, *inter alia* through teaching and learning programmes, that academic authors know what is meant by plagiarism and how to avoid it through good academic writing practices and sound research methodologies. The norms and practices of good academic writing are summarised as follows. Good academic writing:

- is clear. This means that the reader is constantly aware of who is addressing him/her – the author himself/herself or the author of the source text;
- refers clearly and consistently to the sources used;
- bears evidence of individual and independent thinking on and processing of existing knowledge; and
- includes citations and paraphrases that are correct and just versions of the contents of the source text.

Resolving concerns over possible plagiarism and/or academic writing misconduct calls for formal and informal communication between academic staff and students to ensure optimum compliance with the policy.

5.1 Responsibilities of the different faculties

The faculties are expected to:

- 5.1.1 Inform staff of the policy and whether any changes have been made to the existing policy.
- 5.1.2 Ascertain that study guides contain information on the policy and where it can be accessed.
- 5.1.3 Ensure that information regarding the requirements for the preferred citation and referencing style applicable to the faculty or discipline is available.
- 5.1.4 Manage the developmental, disciplinary and administrative processes with regard to identified incidents of plagiarism or academic writing misconduct.

5.2 Responsibilities of staff

Staff members are expected to:

- 5.2.1 Educate students about the norms and practices of good academic writing and appropriate citation in the context of their discipline.
- 5.2.2 Provide explicit and well-defined instruction on how to prevent plagiarism and/or forms of academic writing misconduct.
- 5.2.3 Avoid plagiarism and/or academic writing misconduct in all their teaching and research endeavours.

4. Omvang

Die voorwaardes van die beleid is van toepassing op alle UV-geaffilieerde personeellede en studente met verwysing na alle:

- 4.1 fakulteite/eenhede/programme/departemente/skole/direktorate/sentrums en hulle werkzaamhede;
- 4.2 alle vorme van assessering, insluitende voorgraadse en nagraadse navorsing in 'n studieprogram wat ontwerp is om krediete/erkenning te verwerf; en
- 4.3 akademiese aktiwiteite, insluitende kontraknavorsing, wat gekoppel is aan erkenning of finansiële beloning.

5. Verantwoordelikhede

Die UV onderneem om sover moontlik te verseker, onder andere deur onderrig- en leerprogramme, dat akademiese skrywers weet wat met plagiaat bedoel word en hoe om dit te vermy deur goeie akademiese skryfpraktyke en goeie navorsingsmetodologie. Die norme en praktyke van goeie akademiese skryfwerk word soos volg opgesom. Goeie akademiese skryfwerk:

- is duidelik. Dit beteken dat die leser voortdurend bewus is van wie hom/haar aanspreek – die skrywer self of die oueur van die bronteks;
- verwys duidelik en konsekwent na die bronre wat gebruik is;
- getuig van individuele en onafhanklike denke oor en verwerking van bestaande kennis; en
- sluit aanhalings en parafrases in wat korrekte en juiste weergawes is van die inhoud van die bronteks.

Die oplossing van probleme met betrekking tot moontlike plagiaat en/of wangedrag ten opsigte van akademiese skryfwerk vereis formele en informele kommunikasie tussen akademiese personeel en studente ten einde optimale nakoming van die beleid te verseker.

5.1 Verantwoordelikhede van die verskillende fakulteite

Daar word van die fakulteite verwag om:

- 5.1.1 Personeel in te lig oor die beleid, en of enige veranderinge aan die bestaande beleid gemaak is.
- 5.1.2 Seker te maak dat studiegidse inligting bevat oor die beleid en waar toegang daar toe verkry kan word.
- 5.1.3 Te verseker dat die inligting betreffende die vereistes vir die aanhalings- en verwysingstyl wat deur die fakulteit of dissipline verkies word, beskikbaar is.
- 5.1.4 Die ontwikkelings-, dissiplinêre en administratiewe prosesse met betrekking tot bevestigde insidente van plagiaat of wangedrag ten opsigte van akademiese skryfwerk te hanteer.

5.2 Verantwoordelikhede van personeel

Daar word van personeellede verwag om:

- 5.2.1 Studente te onderrig oor die norme en praktyke van goeie akademiese skryfwerk en toepaslike aanhaling binne die konteks van hul dissipline.
- 5.2.2 Duidelike en goed gedefinieerde voorligting te verskaf oor hoe om plagiaat en/of ander vorme van wangedrag ten opsigte van akademiese skryfwerk te voorkom.
- 5.2.3 Plagiaat en/of wangedrag ten opsigte van akademiese skryfwerk te vermy in al hulle onderrig- en navorsingsaktiwiteite.

5.2.4 Use plagiarism detection software² where appropriate and available to check submitted assignments/dissertations/theses.

5.3 Responsibilities of the student

Students are expected to:

5.3.1 Abide by all the directives of this policy, the Assessment Policy, course guides, specific and general regulations and assessment requirements.

5.3.2 Seek assistance if they are unsure of appropriate citation and referencing in their respective disciplines.

5.3.3 Avoid unfair transference of responsibility if not informed about the policy.

5.3.4 Submit only their own work for any form of assessment, except where:

- the work of others is appropriately acknowledged; and
- the assessor/moderator has required, or given prior permission for, group or collaborative work to be submitted.

5.3.5 Prevent their own work from being copied by another student with the intention of deceiving the reader.

5.3.6 Include a declaration of own work where applicable when submitting academic writing for recognition or credit.

6. Developmental and disciplinary measures³

The two distinct measures in response to confirmed incidents of plagiarism or academic writing misconduct include developmental measures which are concerned with plagiarism and focus on didactic processes and the student's marks, while disciplinary measures which are concerned with academic writing misconduct and focus on the student's academic record and status on campus. Forms of plagiarism or academic writing misconduct by postgraduate students and staff members entails increasingly stiffer disciplinary consequences and are dealt with according to the level of gravity.

Four levels of breach of the policy are identified, with each level having its appropriate developmental or disciplinary measures depending on the seriousness of the violation, the extent of the advantage gained from the action and if it occurs repeatedly. Levels One and Two specifically concern acts of plagiarism, while Levels Three and Four concern repeated incidents and/or forms of academic writing misconduct. In cases of plagiarism at Levels One and Two formal disciplinary actions are not instituted but for cases at Levels Three and Four formal disciplinary actions reside in the *UFS Statute⁴* on Student Discipline (see Chapter XIII, p50) for students and the UFS's *Disciplinary Policy and Procedure⁵* for staff members.

6.1 Level One

6.1.1 Description

Plagiarism at this level include students or staff who unknowingly/unintentionally commit acts of plagiarism and/or fail to provide proper acknowledgement of

5.2.4 Plagiaatopsporingsagteware² waar toepaslik en beskikbaar te gebruik om werkstukke/verhandelings/proefskrifte wat ingedien is, na te gaan.

5.3 Verantwoordelikhede van die student

Daar word van studente verwag om:

5.3.1 Al die voorskrifte van hierdie beleid, die Assesseringsbeleid, kursusgidse, spesifieke en algemene regulasies en assesseringsvereistes na te kom.

5.3.2 Hulp te soek indien hulle onseker is oor toepaslike aanhaling en verwysing in hulle onderskeie dissiplines.

5.3.3 Onregverdige oordrag van verantwoordelikhed te vermy indien hulle nie ingelig is omtrent die beleid nie.

5.3.4 Slegs hul eie werk vir enige vorm van assesserering in te dien, behalwe in gevalle waar:

- die werk van ander op toepaslike wyse erken word; en
- die assessor/moderator vereis het of vooraf toestemming gegee het dat groepwerk of koöperatiewe werk ingedien word.

5.3.5 Te voorkom dat hul eie werk gekopieer word deur 'n ander student met die doel om die leser te bedrieg.

5.3.6 Waar toepaslik 'n verklaring van eie werk in te sluit wanneer akademiese skryfwerk ingedien word vir erkenning of krediet.

6. Ontwikkelings- en dissiplinêre maatreëls³

Die twee onderskeie maatreëls in reaksie op bevestigde gevalle van plagiaat of wangedrag ten opsigte van akademiese skryfwerk sluit ontwikkelingsmaatreëls in wat betrekking het op plagiaat en fokus op didaktiese prosesse en die student se punte, terwyl dissiplinêre maatreëls betrekking het op wangedrag ten opsigte van akademiese skryfwerk en fokus op die student se akademiese rekord en status op die kampus. Vorme van plagiaat of wangedrag ten opsigte van akademiese skryfwerk deur nagraadse studente en personeellede hou toenemend swaarder dissiplinêre gevolge in en word hanteer volgens die graad van erns.

Vier vlakke van oortreding van die beleid word geïdentifiseer, en elke vlak het sy eie toepaslike ontwikkelings- of dissiplinêre maatreëls afhangend van die erns van die oortreding, die voordeel gewin uit die optrede en of dit herhaaldelik voorgekom het. Vlakte Een en Twee hou spesiek verband met voorvalle van plagiaat, terwyl Vlakte Drie en Vier verband hou met ander vorme van wangedrag ten opsigte van akademiese skryfwerk. In gevalle van plagiaat op Vlakte Een en Twee word daar nie tot formele dissiplinêre optrede oorgegaan nie. Op Vlakte Drie en Vier berus die formele dissiplinêre optrede op die *UV Statut⁶* aangaande Studente Tug (kyk Hoofstuk XII, bl. 47) vir studente en die UV se *Dissiplinêre Beleid en Prosedure⁴* vir personeel.

6.1 Vlak Een

6.1.1 Beskrywing

Voorvalle van plagiaat op hierdie vlak sluit in studente of personeel wat hulle onwetend/onbedoeld skuldig maak aan plagiaat en/of nalaat om bronne behoorlik te erken in 'n

² SafeAssign by BlackBoard (UFS Learning Management System) provides technology services to detect and prevent cases of plagiarism/SafeAssign deur BlackBoard (UV Leerbestuurstelsel) voorsien tegnologiese dienste om gevallen van plagiaat op te spoor en te voorkom.

³ See Appendix 1 for a schematic representation of the process involved /Kyk Bylaag 1 vir 'n skematiese voorstelling van die proses

[http://www.ufs.ac.za/faculties/documents/H1/HD1/seenate/UV%20STATUUT-%20-%20ENG%20-%20Consolidated.pdf](http://www.ufs.ac.za/faculties/documents/H1/HD1/seenate/UV%20STATUUT-%20ENG%20-%20Consolidated.pdf)

http://www.ufs.ac.za/documents/ufs_facts/seenate/UV%20STATUUT%20-%20AFR%20-%20Gekonsolideer.pdf

⁴ [http://www.ufs.ac.za/faculties/documents/15/417/Beleide%20en%20prosedures%20\(Okt%202009\)/DISS%20BELEID%20EN%20PROSEDURE%20e%20Raad%2016Mrt07.pdf](http://www.ufs.ac.za/faculties/documents/15/417/Beleide%20en%20prosedures%20(Okt%202009)/DISS%20BELEID%20EN%20PROSEDURE%20e%20Raad%2016Mrt07.pdf)

⁵ [http://www.ufs.ac.za/faculties/documents/15/417/Beleide%20en%20prosedures%20\(Okt%202009\)/DISS%20BELEID%20EN%20PROSEDURE%20a%20Raad%2016Mrt07.pdf](http://www.ufs.ac.za/faculties/documents/15/417/Beleide%20en%20prosedures%20(Okt%202009)/DISS%20BELEID%20EN%20PROSEDURE%20a%20Raad%2016Mrt07.pdf)

sources in a limited section of the work.

6.1.2 Measures

Students: Measures at this level are developmental and include requiring the student to go through a didactic process⁶ with regard to plagiarism and academic writing misconduct and resubmit the work concerned.

Staff: Measures at this level are developmental and include requiring the staff member to go through a mentoring process with regard to plagiarism and academic writing misconduct and revise and adjust the work concerned.

6.2 Level Two

6.2.1 Description

Plagiarism at this level concerns a more significant part of the work and includes quoting directly or paraphrasing without proper acknowledgement of sources and resubmitting the same work or a major section of such work without first obtaining permission. It also includes making use of data without proper acknowledgement of sources or of contributors and directly formulating these inputs as one's own work, as well as receiving assistance in the form of research, statistical analysis, computer programming or field data collection support without acknowledgement.

6.2.2 Measures

Students: Measures at this level are also developmental and include requiring the student to go through a didactic process with regard to plagiarism and academic writing misconduct and resubmit work. The student is informed of the modification of his/her marks. The student also receives a verbal warning of the consequences of any further breaching of the policy.

Staff: Measures at this level involve remedial steps aimed at correcting the staff member's behaviour in terms of acts of plagiarism. This entails among others, training (informal and/or formal) on the norms and practices of good academic writing, what constitutes plagiarism and academic writing misconduct, how to avoid it and its consequences. The staff member receives a verbal warning advising him/her of the consequences of any further breaching of the policy. It is expected that the staff member revise and adjust the work concerned.

6.3 Level Three

6.3.1 Description

Conduct at this level goes beyond Levels One and Two, and includes proven incidents of plagiarism on more than one occasion and/or which involve a significant part of the work and/or forms of academic writing misconduct (see 3.1 – 3.6).

6.3.2 Measures

Students: Measures at this level include that a zero mark for the work, course module or dissertation concerned is awarded. The incident is placed on a central database of

beperkte gedeelte van die werk.

6.1.2 Maatreëls

Studente: Maatreëls op hierdie vlak het 'n ontwikkelingsaard en sluit in dat daar van die student vereis word om deur 'n didaktiese proses⁴ aangaande plagijs en wangedrag ten opsigte van akademiese skryfwerk te gaan en die werk ter sprake weer in te dien.

Personnel: Maatreëls op hierdie vlak het 'n ontwikkelingsaard en sluit in dat daar van die personeellid vereis word om deur 'n mentorproses aangaande plagijs en wangedrag ten opsigte van akademiese skryfwerk te gaan en die werk ter sprake aan te pas.

6.2 Vlak Twee

6.2.1 Beskrywing

Plagijs op hierdie vlak het betrekking op 'n meer beduidende gedeelte van die werk, en sluit in direkte aanhaling en parafrasering sonder behoorlike erkenning van bronre en herindiening van dieselfde werk of 'n belangrike gedeelte van sodanige werk sonder om eers toestemming te verkry. Dit sluit ook in gebruikmaking van data sonder behoorlike erkenning van bronre of medewerkers en direkte formulering van hierdie insette as 'n mens se eie werk, asook om hulp te ontvang in die vorm van navorsing, statistiese ontleding, rekenaarprogrammering of steun ten opsigte van die insameling van velddata sonder om erkenning daarvoor te gee.

6.2.2 Maatreëls

Studente: Maatreëls op hierdie vlak het ook 'n ontwikkelingsaard en sluit in dat daar van die student vereis word om deur 'n didaktiese proses aangaande plagijs en wangedrag ten opsigte van akademiese skryfwerk te gaan en werk weer in te dien. Die student word in kennis gestel van die aanpassing van sy/haar punte. Die student ontvang ook 'n mondelinge waarskuwing oor die gevolge van enige verdere oortreding van die beleid.

Personnel: Maatreëls op hierdie vlak sluit remediërende stappe in wat gerig is op die regstelling van die personeellid se optrede aangaande plagijs. Dit kan onder ander opleiding (informeel en/of formeel) oor die norme en prakteke van goeie akademiese skryfwerk, wat plagijs en wangedrag ten opsigte van akademiese skryfwerk is, hoe om dit te vermy en die gevolge daarvan insluit. Die personeellid ontvang 'n mondelinge waarskuwing oor die gevolge van enige verdere oortreding van die beleid. Dit word vereis dat die personeellid die werk ter sprake aanpas.

6.3 Vlak Drie

6.3.1 Beskrywing

Optrede op hierdie vlak strek verder as Vlakte Een en Twee, en sluit in bewese voorvalle van plagijs by meer as een geleentheid en/of ander vorme van wangedrag ten opsigte van akademiese skryfwerk en/of in 'n uitgebreide gedeelte van die werk (kyk 3.1 – 3.6).

6.3.2 Maatreëls

Studente: Maatreëls op hierdie vlak sluit in die toekenning van 'n nulpunt vir die betrokke werk, kursusmodule of verhandeling. Die voorval word op 'n sentrale databasis van

⁶ For example an interactive Web-based tutorial on interventions designed to understand and decrease the occurrence of plagiarism/Byvoorbeeld 'n interaktiewe webgebaseerde tutoriaal oor ingrepe wat ontwerp is om plagijs te verstaan en die voorkoms daarvan te verminder.

plagiarism that lecturing staff can access. A note is also placed on the student's file, which could have negative consequences for the student when a potential employer asks the University for a reference.

Staff: Measures at this level include remedial or disciplinary steps and action against the staff member determined by the *Informal Disciplinary Action* process of the UFS's *Disciplinary Policy and Procedure* (see Paragraph 4.1, p3 and Paragraph 5.2, p6).

6.4 Level Four

6.4.1 Description

Conduct at this level goes beyond Levels One, Two and Three and represents repeated incidents, collusion, deliberate dishonesty and more serious forms of academic writing misconduct over a period of time. It includes plagiarism committed after previous breaching of the policy, extensive quoting directly from sources as well as paraphrasing without acknowledging sources in work presented by the student or staff member as his/her own work.

6.4.2 Measures

Students: Measures for all Level Four violations and repeated Level One, Two and Three violations are reported and investigated in accordance with the *UFS Statute* on Student Discipline (see Chapter XIII, p50 – 58) for students. The incident is placed on a central database of plagiarism that lecturing staff can access. If the frequency and seriousness of the violation justifies it a probation period is imposed in cases where such violations are detected before the final assessment credit is awarded. If the violation was detected after the final assessment had taken place, the degree is not awarded. The violation subsequently becomes part of the student's academic record.

Staff: Measures at this level include remedial or disciplinary steps and action against the staff member determined by the *Formal Disciplinary Action* process of the UFS's *Disciplinary Policy and Procedure* (see Paragraph 4.2, p4 and Paragraph 5.3, p7). The disciplinary action at Level Four is of a considerably more formal and serious nature than in the case of informal action.

7. Management, implementation and monitoring of this policy

The institutional responsibility, administration and review of the policy are vested in the line function of the Vice-Rector: Teaching and Learning, while the implementation of the policy is vested in the line function and discretion of the Dean at faculty level.

8. Interpretation of the Policy

The English version of this policy is conclusive should any difference in meaning between the English and Afrikaans versions arise with regard to the interpretation of any section of this policy.

plagiaat waartoe doserende personeel toegang het geplaas. 'n Aantekening word ook in die student se lêer gemaak, wat nadelige gevolge vir die student kan inhoud wanneer 'n potensiële werkgever die Universiteit vra vir 'n verwysing.

Personnel: Maatreëls op hierdie vlak sluit in remediërende of dissiplinêre stappe en optrede teen die personeellid soos bepaal deur die *Formele Dissiplinêre Aksie* proses van die UV se *Dissiplinêre Beleid en Prosedure* (kyk Paragraaf 4.1, bl.3 en Paragraaf 5.2, bl.6).

6.4 Vlak Vier

6.4.1 Beskrywing

Optrede op hierdie vlak strek verder as Vlakte Een, Twee en Drie en verteenwoordig herhaalde voorvalle, samewerking, doelbewuste oneerlikheid en meer ernstige vorme van wangedrag ten opsigte van akademiese skryfwerk. Dit sluit in plagiaat wat gepleeg word na vorige oortreding van die beleid, uitgebreide direkte aanhaling uit bronne asook parafrasering sonder die erkenning van bronne in werk wat deur die student of personeellid as sy/haar eie werk aangebied word.

6.4.2 Maatreëls

Studente: Maatreëls vir alle Vlak Vier-oortredings en herhalde Vlak Een- Twee- en Drie-oortredings word gerapporteer en ondersoek in ooreenstemming met die *UV Statut* aangaande Studente Tug (kyk Hoofstuk XII, bl. 47– 55). Die voorval word op 'n sentrale databasis van plagiaat, waartoe doserende personeel toegang het, geplaas. As die herhalendheid en die graad van erns dit regverdig word 'n proeftydperk ingestel in gevalle waar sodanige oortredings opgemerk word voordat die finale assessoringskrediet toegeken word. Indien die oortreding opgemerk is nadat die finale assessorering plaasgevind het, word die graad nie toegeken nie. Die oortreding word vervolgens deel van die student se akademiese rekord.

Personnel: Maatreëls op hierdie vlak sluit in remediërende of dissiplinêre stappe en optrede teen die personeellid soos bepaal deur die *Formele Dissiplinêre Aksie* proses van die UV se *Dissiplinêre Beleid en Prosedure* (kyk Paragraaf 4.2, bl.4 en Paragraaf 5.3, bl.6). Die dissiplinêre optrede op Vlak Vier is aansienlik meer formeel en ernstig van aard as in die geval van informele aksie.

7. Hantering, implementering en monitering van hierdie beleid

Die institusionele verantwoordelikheid, administrasie en hersiening van hierdie beleid is gesetel in die lynnfsie van die Viserekotor: Onderrig en Leer, terwyl die implementering van die beleid gesetel is in die lynnfsie en diskresie van die Dekaan op fakulteitsvlak.

8. Interpretasie van die Beleid

Die Engelse weergawe van hierdie beleid sal deurslaggewend wees indien enige betekenisverskil tussen die Engelse en Afrikaanse weergawes sou ontstaan met betrekking tot die interpretasie van enige gedeelte van hierdie beleid.

Appendix 1: A schematic representation of the process/Bylaag 1: 'n Skematische voorstelling van die proses



