Images of Nature
Plagiarism Workshop Assessment Summary
Fall 2014

Students in Images of Nature classes participated in an in-class workshop on plagiarism. The workshop included 2 group exercises and class discussion regarding when and how plagiarism often occurs, how to avoid plagiarism, the need to cite sources, and consequences of plagiarism.

Goals of the workshop
1. Identify behaviors that can lead to plagiarism as a means of avoiding plagiarism in own writing
2. Identify when a citation is needed to avoid plagiarism in own writing

Assessment Method
At the end of the workshop students independently answered 6 multiple choice review questions on a paper handout. These questions reflect students’ knowledge of citing sources as a means to avoid plagiarism after the workshop instruction was complete. The correct answers are highlighted in yellow.

1. When paraphrasing I (check all that apply):
   - □ Should put the main ideas into my own words
   - □ Should substitute a few of the original words with my own wording
   - □ Should cite the source in the works cited/reference list

   Correct: 47 out of 56 (84%) students answered the question correctly by identifying both correct answers
   Partially Correct: 6 out of 56 (11%) students answered the question partially correctly by identifying 1 correct answer
   Partially Correct: 3 out of 56 (5%) students answered the question partially correctly by selecting all 3 answers including 2 correct and 1 incorrect answers

2. When using information found on the internet I (check all that apply):
   - □ Do not need to cite the source because information on the internet is available to use freely
   - □ Should cite the source in the works cited/reference list
   - □ Should provide an in-text citation because it is someone else’s work

   Correct: 49 out of 56 (88%) students answered the question correctly by identifying both correct answers
   Partially correct: 7 out of 56 (12%) students answered the question partially correctly by identifying 1 correct answer
3. When using direct quotations I (check all that apply):
   - Should substitute some of the original wording with my own words
   - Should use quotation marks or indentations
   - Should cite the source in the works cited/reference list

   Correct: 52 out of 56 (93%) students answered the question correctly by identifying both correct answers
   Partially correct: 4 out of 56 (7%) students answered the question partially correctly by identifying 1 correct answer

4. When paraphrasing I (check all that apply):
   - Should include an in-text citation because it is the ideas of someone else
   - Do not need to include an in-text citation since it is not a direct quotation
   - Should cite the source in the works cited/reference list

   Correct: 50 out of 56 (89%) students answered the question correctly by identifying both correct answers
   Partially correct: 6 out of 56 (11%) students answered the question partially correctly by identifying 1 correct answer

5. When using just a few words from a sentence I (check all that apply):
   - Should use quotation marks if the words are identical to the original writing
   - Should cite the source in the works cited/reference list
   - Do not need to provide an in-text citation because it is just a few words and not a complete sentence

   Correct: 51 out of 56 (91%) students answered the question correctly by identifying both correct answers
   Partially correct: 5 out of 56 (9%) students answered the question partially correctly by identifying 1 correct answer

6. When using a chart, graph, photograph or other visual image I (check all that apply):
   - Do not need to cite the source because images do not require citations
   - Should cite the source if the work is not my own
   - Do not need to cite the source if I created the work

   Correct: 37 out of 56 (66%) students answered the question correctly by identifying both correct answers
   Partially correct: 18 out of 56 (32%) students answered the question partially correctly by identifying 1 correct answer
   Partially correct: 1 out of 56 (2%) students answered the question partially correctly by selecting all 3 answers including 2 correct and 1 incorrect answers