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Report on Workshops on Academic Integrity and Plagiarism Awareness

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1. Introduction

Swami Rama Himalayan University (SRHU) remains committed to promoting a culture of academic integrity, originality, and ethical research practices. In pursuit of this vision, the University organized two significant workshops in 2024 focused on understanding and preventing plagiarism in academic writing and research.

The first workshop, titled “*Understanding Plagiarism: A Step Towards Academic Integrity*”, was organized by the SRHU Library System on 25th July 2024. The second, “*Combating Plagiarism: Tools, Techniques & Ethics*”, was conducted by the Research and Development Cell on 21st December 2024. Both events were designed to raise awareness among faculty members, research scholars, and students about academic ethics, citation practices, and the use of plagiarism detection tools.

2. Workshop I: “Understanding Plagiarism – A Step Towards Academic Integrity”

Date: 25th July 2024

Organized by: SRHU Library System

Participants: Faculty Members and Research Scholars

2.1 Objective

The workshop aimed to sensitize faculty members and research scholars to the ethical aspects of academic writing and to help them understand the implications of plagiarism and methods to prevent it.

2.2 Proceedings

The session commenced with an inaugural address by Dr. Rajendra Dobhal, Vice Chancellor, SRHU, who underscored the importance of academic honesty in higher education. The keynote speaker, Dr. Bindu Dey, Director (Research), and an expert in academic ethics, elaborated on the concept of plagiarism, its different forms, and the legal and academic repercussions of engaging in it.

Through interactive presentations and case studies, participants learned about proper citation, paraphrasing techniques, and the use of plagiarism detection software. University guidelines on research ethics and maintaining originality in scholarly work were also discussed.

2.3 Participation

A total of 76 participants, including research scholars and faculty members from all constituent colleges, attended the workshop.

2.4 Outcome

The workshop successfully enhanced participants' understanding of plagiarism and academic integrity. The Q&A session fostered meaningful dialogue, and participants expressed appreciation for the clarity and practical relevance of the sessions. The event concluded with the distribution of participation certificates.



3. Workshop II: “Combatting Plagiarism – Tools, Techniques & Ethics”

Date: 21st December 2024

Organized by: Research and Development Cell, SRHU

Participants: Faculty Members, Research Scholars, and Postgraduate Students

3.1 Objective

The primary objective of this workshop was to provide hands-on training on tools and techniques for detecting and preventing plagiarism, thereby reinforcing the importance of ethical academic writing.

3.2 Proceedings

The event commenced with an inaugural address by Dr. Vijendra Chauhan, Director General (Academics), who highlighted how plagiarism undermines academic credibility and intellectual honesty.

The resource person, Dr. Yogendra Singh, University Librarian, conducted interactive sessions on avoiding unintentional plagiarism. He demonstrated the use of plagiarism detection tools such as Turnitin and Grammarly, and provided guidance on note-taking strategies, citation styles (APA, MLA, Chicago), and the ethical use of secondary data sources. Real-life examples from dissertations and published research articles were used to illustrate best practices in academic integrity.

3.3 Participation

The workshop was attended by 91 participants, including postgraduate students, research scholars, and faculty members from all constituent colleges of SRHU.

3.4 Outcome

The workshop received highly positive feedback from participants, who appreciated the interactive sessions and practical demonstrations. Dr. Nupur Srivastava delivered the vote of thanks, acknowledging the efforts of the organizers and participants. The event reaffirmed the university’s dedication to promoting ethical research conduct and excellence in academia.

4. Summary of Participation

Workshop Title	Date	Organized By	Participants	Target Group
Understanding Plagiarism: A Step	25th July 2024	SRHU Library System	76	Faculty & Research Scholars

Towards Academic Integrity				
Combatting Plagiarism: Tools, Techniques & Ethics	21st December 2024	Research & Development Cell	91	Faculty, Research Scholars & PG Students

Total Participants: 167 (across both workshops)

5. Conclusion

Both workshops significantly contributed to SRHU's ongoing mission to promote ethical research and uphold academic integrity. The active participation and positive feedback from faculty members, scholars, and students reflected a growing awareness and commitment to maintaining honesty and originality in academic work.

Through these initiatives, Swami Rama Himalayan University continues to strengthen its reputation as an institution that values transparency, ethical scholarship, and academic excellence.





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