

# SafeAssign: Using Direct Submit in Learning@Griffith

**SafeAssign** is a course tool within Learning@Griffith that enables electronic submission of assignments combined with a text matching report. SafeAssign has two types of functionality:

- SafeAssignment
- Direct Submit

**SafeAssignment** appears as a content item in Learning@Griffith that allows <u>students</u> to submit their assignments electronically, then produces text matching report.

**Direct Submit** is a feature available to <u>Instructors and Teaching Team</u>, allowing upload of documents via Learning@Griffith and generation of text matching reports, without participation of students.

SafeAssign Report is a text matching report.

**Global Reference Database** is a database shared across all the institutions that use SafeAssign who have chosen to give their students this option. Each student decides whether to submit their paper to the Global Reference Database or not.

Instructors and Teaching Team may upload papers directly with **Direct Submit**. This does not require creating a SafeAssignment as an additional item in the course content in Learning@Griffith. Direct Submit generates SafeAssign reports on papers submitted outside of a SafeAssignment.

Direct Submit allows Instructors to submit papers either one at a time, or several at once in a .ZIP file.

**NOTE**: .ZIP packages should contain no more than 100 files, and submitting more than 300 files in a session is not recommended. Additionally, assignments with over 5000 sentences or that are more than 10MB in size cannot be submitted.

Papers uploaded through Direct Submit are only added to the Institutional Database - there is no option to add them to the Global Reference Database since students have to opt-in on a paper-by-paper basis. Additionally, there is no Gradebook integration with papers submitted through Direct Submit. If access to the Global Reference Database or integration with Gradebook is required, convenors should set up and use **SafeAssignments** to collect submissions.

# **Using Direct Submit: An Overview**

Follow these steps to check files via Direct Submit (see below for visual instructions).

- 1. From the Control Panel, click SafeAssign under Course Tools.
- 2. Click the **Direct Submit** tab.
- 3. A list of folders and papers will appear. This list includes assignments already uploaded through Direct Submit. It is not recommended that files be deleted from Direct Submit, as this will remove them from the institutional database of existing materials.
- 4. Navigate to a folder where the file or files will be uploaded.
- 5. Click Submit Papers.
- 6. Select **Upload File** and browse for the file. Individual assignments as well as files that are grouped in a .ZIP package are acceptable. Alternatively, select Copy/Paste Document and add the document text in the field.
- 7. If required, select the special upload options:
- **Submit as Draft:** A SafeAssign report will be generated, however the paper will not be added to the institutional database and will not be used to check other papers.
- Skip Plagiarism Checking: Adds the papers to the institutional database, without checking for content copied from other sources. This is useful if an Instructor wants to upload papers from an earlier course to ensure that current students are not reusing work.

### Supported file types

Direct Submit supports the following file types:

- Microsoft Word document: .doc
- Rich Text Format: .rtf
- HTML: .htm or .html
- Text: .txt
- Pdf
- Zip compressed: .ZIP used to upload multiple files.

## **Using Direct Submit: In Detail**

- 1. Log into Learning@Griffith using your staff ID (s-number) and password.
- 2. Navigate to the course where you would like to submit the assignments.

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3. Click Control Panel (in the left menu)

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4. From the Control Panel, click SafeAssign (under Course Tools).

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#### 5. Click the **Direct Submit** tab.

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- 6. If you have previously uploaded documents a list of folders and papers will appear. This list shows files already uploaded through Direct Submit. It is not recommended that files be deleted from Direct Submit, as this will remove them from the institutional database of existing materials.
- 7. Navigate to a folder where the paper will be uploaded and click **Submit Papers**. (You may also create a new folder at this point.)

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- 8. You can choose one of the submission options below by ticking in a corresponding box; or, go straight to the File upload.
  - **Submit as Draft:** A SafeAssign report will be generated however the paper will not be added to the institutional database and will not be used to check other papers.
  - Skip Plagiarism Checking: Adds the papers to the institutional database without checking for content copied from other sources. This is useful if an Instructor wants to upload papers from an earlier course to ensure that current students are not reusing work.
  - If you don't tick any the submitted paper will be added to the institutional database and a SafeAssign report will be produced
- 9. In the file upload section, browse for the file. (Individual papers as well as papers that are grouped in a .ZIP package are accepted). Alternatively, select **Copy/Paste Document** and add the document text in the field.
- 10. Click the Submit button.

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11. The screen shows all the files uploaded to this folder, local date and time of the submission and link to access the files. To obtain Matching Score and SafeAssign Report allow time for processing, and refresh the screen. It can take from a few minutes to 24 hours, depending on the size of the file submitted.

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- 12. Once processed, the Matching Score and SafeAssign Report icons show on the refreshed screen.
- 13. Click the icon 2 and access the SafeAssign Report (see below). For detailed information on how to access submitted safe assignments and interpret text matching reports, please refer to Accessing and Interpreting SafeAssign Reports: For Staff available at <a href="http://www.griffith.edu.au/ins/learningatgriffith">http://www.griffith.edu.au/ins/learningatgriffith</a>

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