

News Release

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Universidad Privada Juan Mejía Baca and PlagScan: Joining Forces in the Quest For Safeguarding Academic Integrity

One of Latin America's most prestigious universities decided to tackle plagiarism and proactively protect intellectual property of research work

(COLOGNE, Germany, August 2019) - PlagScan, safeguard of academic integrity worldwide, is happy to announce that the Universidad Privada Juan Mejía Baca (UMB) from Peru has decided to integrate PlagScan's plagiarism detection solution into its organization's processes. Following the directive of the National Council for Science, Technology and Technological Innovation (CONCYTEC), UMB's main goal is to protect the intellectual property of research work of the academic community.

Promoting right moral conduct as the key to social transformations

With the growing access to millions of sources and scientific papers through the internet, the potential risk of students taking shortcuts to get their degrees is also growing. As a study by Dr. Donald McCabe points out¹, 62% of all US american bachelor students, and around 40% of the Master and PhD students admitted to have cheated at least once while writing their papers. By establishing a routine of checking every submitted paper for incorrectly cited sources using the PlagScan solution, UMB wants to raise awareness for the importance of right moral conduct. By encouraging students to self-study, it is strongly supporting their intellectual development into critical thinkers and creative writers.

"Only if we promote honest research as the ultimate goal to expand our knowledge, society as a whole can advance," says Dr. Patricia Chavarry, Head of the Office of Intellectual and Artistic Creation Research.

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¹ Dr. Donald McCabe, Studie von 2002-2015: https://academicintegrity.org/statistics/

PlagScan being chosen as the most suitable solution

During the selection process, UMB has tested several other plagiarism detection softwares, and decided that PlagScan was the most suitable solution for their purposes. Especially the centerpiece feature, the plagiarism report, which convinced UMB stakeholders to go with PlagScan.

"If you like to safeguard Academic Integrity at the front lines - avoiding plagiarism and contract cheating - you need two basic things: Firstly, a reliable and sophisticated tool, which detects and analyzes similarities within billions of sources. Secondly, reports helping you to easily assess the results of the AI, allowing you to efficiently judge a student's work", explains Markus Goldbach, CEO of PlagScan. "Eventually, only then professors can guide students, and help them grow in regards to the right academic conduct and their personal development."

For more information on the PlagScan plagiarism detection solution, please visit www.plagscan.com. Interested members of the press, please feel free to contact us either by email (press@plagscan.com) or by phone +49 (0) 221 75988994.

About PlagScan

PlagScan is an education software provider, creating tools to safeguard Academic Integrity and Copyrights. We develop high-tech solution in compliance with strict data security regulations since 2009 and our solutions serve more than 1,500 organizational customers worldwide. PlagScan educates students about plagiarism and academic integrity to maintain the quality of education by creating better thinkers and writers.

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