

Accessing the Turnitin Test area

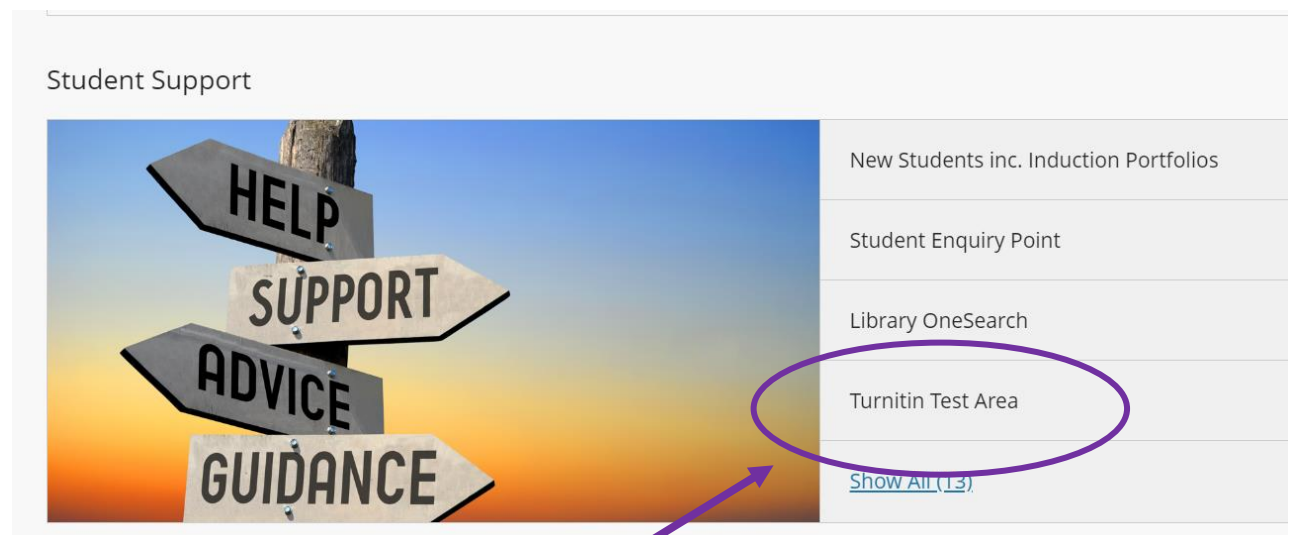
Turnitin is used by the university to detect plagiarism in assignments, but also to provide you with feedback on the similarity of your work with other sources prior to final submission. This feedback can be used to improve your work and ensure you have referenced correctly. This guide shows you how to access the Turnitin Test Area, which is located in Blackboard.

N.B. The Test area doesn't add your work to the database and will not affect your final submission – just make sure you also submit your work through your assignment gateway when you have finished editing it.

1. Login to **Blackboard**, either through the Student Hub or at <https://mylearning.cumbria.ac.uk/>

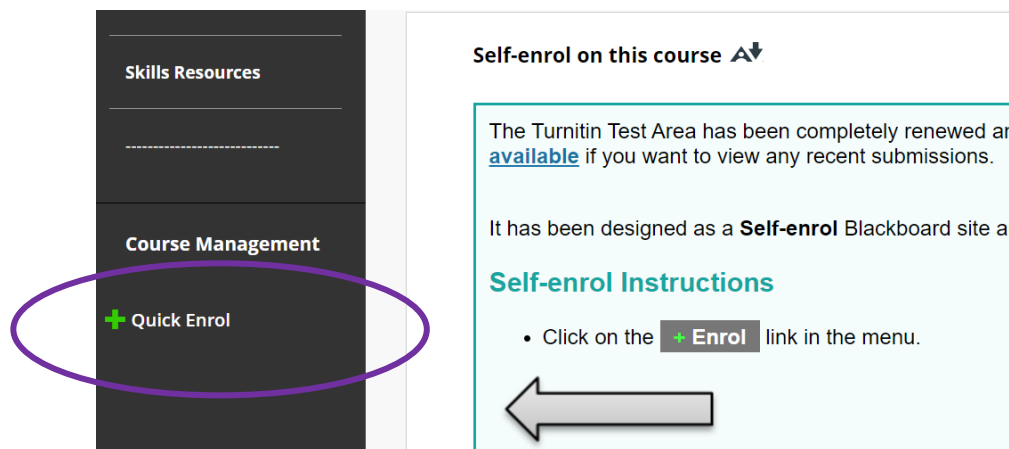


2. You will land on the **Institution** page.
3. You may have to scroll down to find the **Student support** section.



4. Select the **Turnitin Test area** link.

5. If it's the first time you have been on the Test area you will need to self enrol by clicking on the green cross.



6. After reading the introductory information, scroll down to see the different numbered gateways. The numbers are not significant, they just allow you to differentiate between the different gateways.

Test assignment 1 ⌵ ⬇

Click on the Test Assignment 1 title (above) to submit your assignment to the test area.

Test Assignment 2 ⌵ ⬇

Click on the **Test Assignment 2** title (above) to submit your assignment to the test area.

Test Assignment 3 ⌵ ⬇

Click on the **Test Assignment 3** title (above) to submit your assignment to the test area.

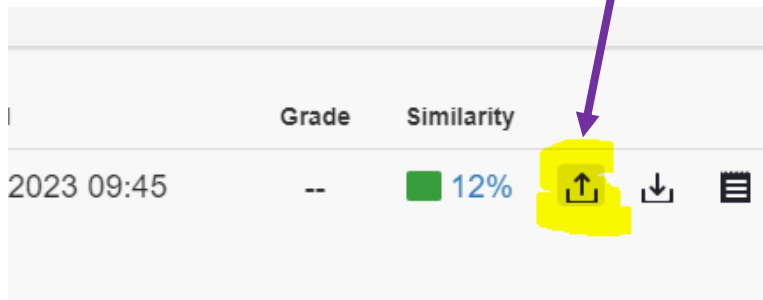
Test Assignment 4 ⌵ ⬇

Click on the **Test Assignment 4** title (above) to submit your assignment to the test area.





7. Each gateway will give you an immediate "*Originality report*" up to 3 times; after that you will need to wait 24 hours for the report. This is why you have multiple gateways. 3

reports from each of the 10 numbered portals gives you 30 opportunities for immediate feedback across the academic year.

8. To resubmit to a gateway just click on the upload arrow and it will overwrite your previous submission.



A screenshot of a Turnitin submission table. The table has columns for 'Grade' and 'Similarity'. The first row shows a submission from '2023 09:45' with a grade of '--' and a similarity of '12%'. The similarity is represented by a green square icon. To the right of the similarity percentage, there is a yellow box containing an upload arrow icon, which is pointed to by a purple arrow from above. Next to the upload arrow is a download arrow icon and a menu icon (three horizontal lines).

	Grade	Similarity	
2023 09:45	--	 12%	  

See the [Turnitin page](#) for information on interpreting your Turnitin report.

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