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News and Views

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Turnitin vs. VeriCite

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Is change in the air? Or is MORE change in the air? Faculty, we are being asked to review VeriCite and Turnitin as a plagiarism checking options. Currently 23 of the faculty are using Turnitin as a plagiarism checker. VeriCite is the plagiarism checking tool that is being used for the OEI and that is why we are being asked to look at it. It is also half the cost of Turnitin and that caught my eye as Turnitin currently comes out of the library budget and had a price increase of over 33% last year! But at the end of the day we are looking for a tool that is an effective plagiarism checker. Which one will it be?



	turnitin	VERICITE.
Plagiarism checker	✓	✓
Grade and comment	✓	✓
Save and reuse comments	✓	✓
Works in Canvas	✓	✓
• External Tool	✓	✓
• Integrated in Canvas	✗	✓ Spring 17
Works with Speedgrader	✓	✓ Spring 17
Shows sources of plagiarized material	✓	✓
Gives assignments a score	✓	✓
• Students see score	✓ instructor setting	✓ instructor setting
Instructor can upload assignments for student:	✓	✓
• Single	✓	✓
• Multiple	✗	✓
OEI choice	✗	✓

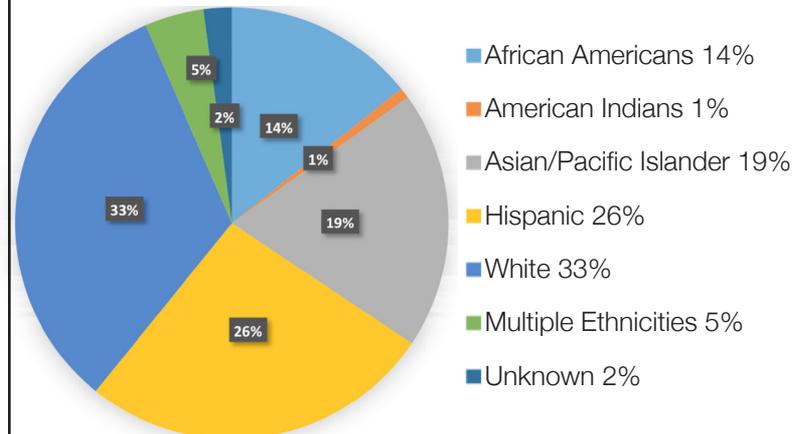
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Did you miss Faculty Night?



(Top Left) Fred Feldon, getting his painting on at the Newport Center. (Top Right) Coastline's new Librarian, Elizabeth Horan with Prof. Ann Holliday, chatting it up. (Bottom Left) Deborah Henry, teaching that pumpkin a lesson. (Bottom Right) Newport's new Dean, Dr. Tom Neal. Not faculty but part of the team.

8 of 9 students receive financial aid



Devine Science

David Devine, Ph.D.



Physics 120: Thanks to the equipment purchased by Coastline in 2013, students are now able to perform basic physics labs at the Newport Beach Center. In this lab the students are asked to predict the speed of a cart at the bottom of a ramp and the amount of time it will take the cart to reach the bottom of the ramp. Based on their smiles, I think their predictions were verified!



Astronomy 100 Lab: Thanks to telescopes purchased by Coastline in 2014, students are now able to observe the night sky from the Newport Beach Center. In this lab the students are assembling the Celestron 9.25" telescopes before moving up to the 2nd floor deck to observe Saturn, Mars, Venus, and the moon. Curious students from other classes have also had a chance to see the rings of Saturn this semester. I hope the open space behind campus remains open!

Brain Waves

Deborah Henry, MD,

I was having dinner al fresco in Phoenix in October 2013 with a group of Coastliners. As I was about to sip my curry pumpkin soup, a black cat happened by. Immediately the other scientist at the table, (Pedro Gutierrez), and I commented on possible bad luck. Were we two scientists more superstitious than the others at the table who failed to notice the connection between a black cat, Halloween, and its relationship to bad luck?

Superstitions started playing a role in my life in fourth grade. September that year had a Friday the 13th and therefore my teacher, Miss Lee, decided to have a discussion on superstitions. That Friday the 13th also turned out especially bad for me as I was scheduled to have my tonsils out. I held my breath as long as I could while the nitrous oxide permeated the mask held over my mouth and nose. Needless to say, I lost the competition. This event forever colored how I talk with patients. At the time (we are talking the 1960s here) few doctors or parents discussed what was going to happen during an operation with their children assuming perhaps that the less they knew, the less scary it would be. But of course, this was no ordinary day. I just learned the bad news of Friday, the 13th. Plus, if a doctor was not going to tell me what would happen, I had plenty of classmates that did. "They just slash your throat and yank them out" was the common consensus. I expected to come away with a foot-long incision across my neck.

Superstition was first used in the English language in the 15th century as a derivative from an old French word. The Latin root "superstes" means "standing over or above" and "standing by, surviving". Paraskevidekatriphobia, or fear of Friday the 13th, probably had its origin in the betrayal at the Last Supper as thirteen individuals, Jesus and his 12 disciples were at this dinner party. Then of course, the next day, Friday, Jesus was crucified.

Black cats were lucky in ancient Egypt as the Goddess Bast was a black, female cat. However, during the Middle Ages, with the rise of Christianity, black cats were associated with witches and hence suffered the same unfortunate demise.

In the 1950s, B. F. Skinner found that pigeons were superstitious. He delivered food at fixed intervals to pigeons in a box. Whatever behavior the pigeon was doing at the time, whether nodding its head or turning clockwise, the pigeon would repeat this action in hopes of getting more food. Of course, Skinner had another word for it: operant conditioning. **next page.**

Doctors aren't immune to superstitions. In the operating room, I always tried to wear two pairs of shoe covers. In reality this was so I could remove the soiled outer cover prior to exiting the operating room in order to talk with families. However, I felt mighty uncomfortable on the few days I took the last two shoe covers from the box and only wore a single layer. Call days may be "white clouds" or "black clouds" depending whom is on with you. Paydays and full moons aren't good days to be on call either. Certainly, the operating ritual of how a case is set up is a natural for the superstitious. If something is out of order, it might be best to knock on wood. Or these days knocking on laminate might work.

Habilidades básicas en la adquisición de un segundo idioma

Sandra Basabe, Profesora de Español

Los componentes vitales en las categorías lingüísticas de un idioma para una persona, pertinentes a la morfosintaxis y la semántica, son imprescindibles para la adquisición de una segunda lengua. El saber reconocer en su propio idioma y cultura los conceptos fundamentales filológicos (literatura universal, modismos o expresiones idiomáticas) y el contenido lingüístico tales como: las partes de la oración, el léxico, los conectores multifuncionales gramaticales, las preposiciones, el análisis crítico de la composición y la narrativa, así como también la morfología nominal (sujeto, verbo, predicado, adjetivo), harán una extraordinaria diferencia a la hora de aprender o adquirir un segundo idioma.

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Turnitin vs. VeriCite from page one

This project has been placed in the laps of the Library and Bob Nash at Distance Learning and I will admit it is off to a bumpy start. At least I feel like it is a little bumpy and that might be because I am still learning so much about both these products. I am sorry I can not be a fearless leader on this quest, but instead am going to play the role of helpful guide. At least I hope I am helpful....!

Some things to know and consider as we move forward:

- This is not an emotional decision. Data is going to inform the choice we make at Coastline. Faculty will inform that data based on surveys, usage, and statistics. The faculty who use and test these products will be the ones we collect the data from. That data will be presented to the Academic Senate in late April 2017.
- The Library has purchased Turnitin through June 2017 for Coastline.
- The District is going to purchase VeriCite through June 2017 so all colleges can test it. (OCC has purchased Turnitin for a year. I am not sure what GWC has done.)

Please help test these products and make note of:

- Interface design and use
- Plagiarism scores when comparing the same papers in both products
- Help support. Use the Help Support for each of these products (not me, the current support) and report back about the service.
- Do we want a simple rubric for this?

Training and resources are being worked on for BOTH these products. Stay Tuned!

In the meantime you can find more information on this google doc: <https://goo.gl/QpKs6Z> and if you have any feedback please send it to Bob Nash bnash@coastline.edu and myself.

Plagiarism checkers are great learning tools for students and I hope we can start utilizing one across the curriculum at Coastline College.

Contrasting images - Your thoughts?



Gilbert Stuart (1755–1828)
Portrait of George Washington, 1797
Oil on canvas
Sterling and Francine Clark Art Institute, 1955.16



George Peter Alexander Healy (1818–1894)
Portrait of James Buchanan (Detail), 1859
Oil on canvas
Smithsonian Institution, NPG.65.48

Are Your Students Writing at a College Level?

I often find my students' papers to be below college-level work. I find their papers difficult to read—much less, grade! Whereas their ideas may be appropriate, sometimes sophisticated, their way of expressing them is not college-level—and/or their grammar and sentence structure may well be grade-school level!

I now put a “heads-up” note in the very beginning of my “Marketing” course handbook (and again on the writing assignment page) stating that I will be grading their assignments on both grammar and content. I want my students to know that writing at college-level is just as important as reading and understanding college-level material! I’m also letting my students know that it is okay if they have trouble writing. They can take a basic English course before taking my course that will help them with that challenge. Here is the note that I include in the course handbook:

IMPORTANT NOTE:

BUSINESS C150 requires students to write a paper that will be graded on grammar, sentence structure, spelling, punctuation, and capitalization as well as content. It is strongly recommended that students complete ENGL C103 - Business English, at a minimum, before taking this marketing course.

Jeanne Oelstrom, Business Instructor

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- Be Collegial
- Be Productive
- 200 Words - no more no less

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