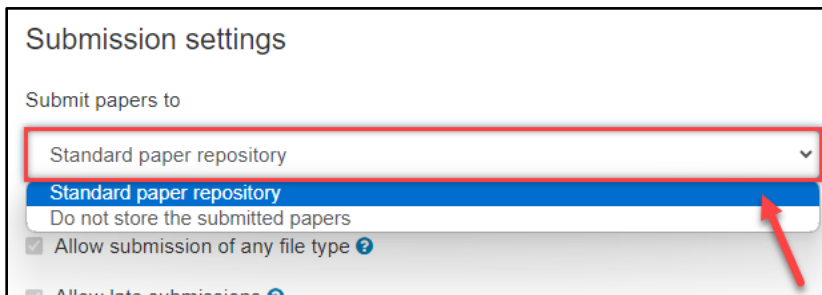


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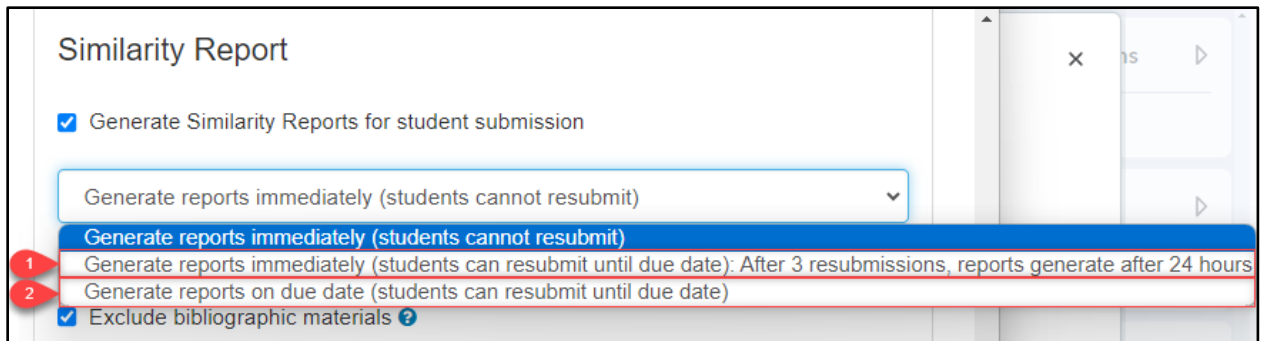
Collusion-Checking in Turnitin

The Similarity Report is an investigative tool highlighting the portion of a student’s paper that matches external sources. Similarity Reports can help instructors determine academic dishonesty. It can also be used to check for collusion amongst student papers within the same assignment; however, the Turnitin Integration settings must be set specifically. Understanding the difference between collusion and collaboration is crucial. For more information, see this [Turnitin resource](#). To get the most out of this guide, having prior knowledge of Turnitin Similarity Reports and how to set up assignments in D2L is helpful. Reference guides are also linked throughout the document.

1. **Create your Turnitin Assignment in D2L.** Ensure that your D2L-enabled Turnitin assignment has an end date.
2. Select the “More Options” button on the Turnitin Integration window and ensure that you opt for papers to be stored in the “Standard paper repository” to be used for comparison. Papers that are not stored cannot be checked for collusion.



3. Selections for similarity report generation are also available on the “More Options” window. It is important to understand how each selection impacts collusion-checking:
 - If reports are set to generate immediately without the option to resubmit, then a new Similarity Report will **NOT** be generated on the due date to check for collusion. These papers would only be checked against external sources. If staunch similarity is identified between or among papers and the similarity score does not reflect this, the instructor would then need to **manually regenerate the reports** for collusion-checking.
 - If either option that allows students to resubmit until the due date (options 1 and 2 highlighted in red in the image below) is selected, a final Similarity Report will be automatically generated for all submissions within one hour of the due date and time. This process ensures that students' submissions are compared against each other without requiring manual regeneration of the report, as with the previous option. Consequently, if any matches are found between submissions within the assignment, the similarity percentages in the reports will change after the due date as well.



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Manually Regenerating a New Similarity Report

1. [Access the Turnitin Feedback Studio](#)
2. On the right panel, select the red filter icon from the similarity toolbar.



3. From the bottom of the Filters and Settings side panel, click the 'New Report' button. This will overwrite the previous Similarity Report so consider downloading the existing report before generating a new one if needed.

