USING iThenticate for Graduate Students

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Abstract
The Graduate School offers a new resource and tool to help graduate students with their major papers, such as theses and dissertations. Students and faculty can use iThenticate to verify originality of documents prepared by graduate students. Graduate students can use iThenticate to review their written materials (e.g., papers, article drafts, responses to qualifying or prelim exam prompts, drafts of thesis/dissertation). Faculty can use the software to review their written documents (e.g., articles, grant proposals). Graduate students and their advisors must verify that the ETDs (electronic theses and dissertations) are appropriately written and cited, using the iThenticate system. During her presentation, Dr. Austin will cover how iThenticate can be useful for faculty and grads alike.

Bio-sketch
Dr. Janice Austin is the Assistant Dean and Director of Graduate Admissions and Academic Progress. Prior to her appointment as Director, Janice served as an Admissions and Academic Progress processor and later the Enrollment Coordinator at the Graduate School. Janice earned her doctoral degree in Educational Research and Evaluation at Virginia Tech in Fall 2017. She earned a master’s degree in Higher Education Student Affairs from Virginia Tech and a bachelor’s degree in Religious Studies from Lynchburg College. Janice enjoys spending time with Jonathan, her husband, and her two sons, Joshua and Jordan. She also loves watching college football and traveling.