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Step-by-step guide

Step 1: Creating a profile

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2. Enter the following code into the “class ID” field: 5826125
3. Enter the following password into the “class enrollment password” field: checkitout
4. Complete the “user information” and “password and security” sections
5. Click the “I agree – create profile” button

Step 2: Submitting a paper

1. Click the “Yale SOM” class link in the “my classes” tab
2. Submit your paper to any of the three assignments: Yale SOM (All Papers) 1, 2 or 3 *
3. Once successfully submitted, click the “go to portfolio” link
4. Next, click the “show details” link next to the assignment to which you’ve submitted your paper
5. The “originality report” can then be viewed by clicking the percentage bar located next to the entry you wish to inspect **

* Students may only generate one “originality report” per assignment in a 24-hour period, so with three assignments currently active—Yale SOM (All Papers) 1, 2 and 3—you can presently generate three reports per day.

** Due to the substantial technical demands of comparing papers against a large database, turnitin.com may take up to 20 minutes to produce an “originality” report once your paper has been submitted, so you may be required to check back later if the report percentage bar is not immediately active (i.e. clickable).

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