

Turnitin Draft Coach

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What is Turnitin Draft Coach?

Turnitin Draft Coach is an application designed to assist students with their academic writing by providing instant feedback utilizing the following features:

- **Similarity Check** is used to protect students from unintentional plagiarism.
- **Citations Check** assists students in properly citing their sources
- **Grammar Guide** highlights grammar issues and provides correction suggestions.

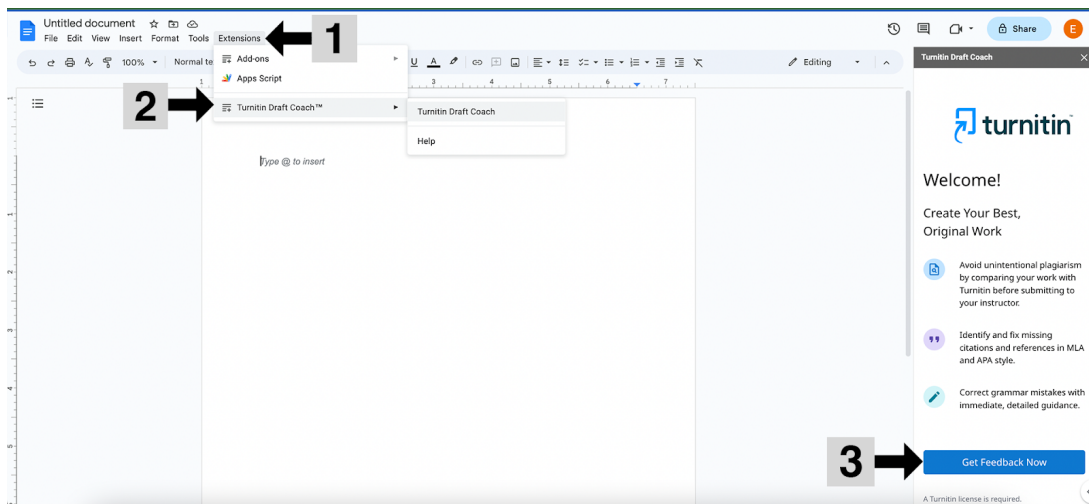
Note: Draft Coach is available to Brown students, staff, and faculty. It can be accessed from [Brown Google Docs](#) or from your [Brown Microsoft 365](#) account.

Accessing Draft Coach in Google Docs

Open the Google document you are working on via docs.google.com or from your [Google apps menu](#).

1. Open a new blank document or file you are working on.
2. Click on the **Extensions [1]** menu located in the top menu underneath the document title.
3. Below the **Extensions** menu, you will see **Turnitin Draft Coach [2]** listed. Click on it.
4. Another menu will open to the right with the words Turnitin Draft Coach. Select the **Get FeedBack Now [3]** option from the new menu as pictured below.

Please note, the first time accessing the Turnitin Draft Coach add-on, you will be prompted to agree to the [terms of use](#) for Turnitin to scan your document.



Accessing Draft Coach in Microsoft 365

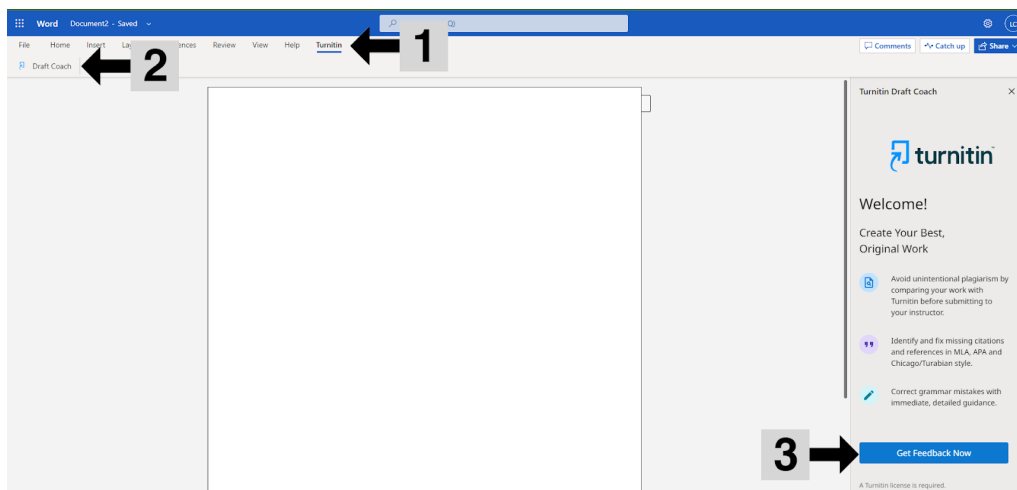
To access Microsoft 365 at Brown.edu follow these steps:

- Confirm your computer is using the Brown network and not Brown Guest. Connect to [Brown VPN](#) if you are offsite.
- Next, go to <https://office365.brown.edu/>
- Sign in with your Brown Account
 - You will be prompted to [Duo two-step](#) verify your account.
 - If you are having issues launching Office 365, view [full instructions here](#) or [contact the IT Service Center](#).

Once Microsoft 365 has launched, access Draft Coach by following these steps

1. Open a new blank document or file you are working on.
2. At the top of the screen menu, click on the **Turnitin [1]** menu.
3. **Draft Coach [2]** is listed below the Turnitin menu. Click on it.
4. Another menu will appear to the right, titled **Turnitin Draft Coach**. Select the **Get Feedback Now** option from the new menu as pictured below.

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Using Draft Coach

After opening your preferred writing application (Google Docs or Microsoft 365) and launching Draft Coach, choose the feature you need to use, **Similarity Check**, **Citations Check**, or the **Grammar Guide**.

Similarity Check

- Check your paper against online sources before submitting it. **Note: Checking your draft in advance does not add your document to the Turnitin online repository.**
 - Students are allowed to **run three similarity checks** on their draft.
- Once the scan is over, a percentage rating will be provided indicating how close your paper matched documents within their online repository. You can then click through the provided detailed suggestions on how to correct them.
 - Information on how the similarity score is determined can be found on the [Understanding Turnitin Draft Coach](#) guide.

Citations Check

- Track your sources and citations.
- The scan will identify when a citation is missing.
- Run as often as needed. There are no scan attempt limitations.

Grammar Guide

- Identify grammar errors you may have missed while proofreading.
- Provides suggestions on how to correct errors.
- Run as often as needed. There are no scan attempt limitations.

Resources

Turnitin has a support center that assists with Draft Coach questions and a variety of [knowledgebase articles](#) including:

- [How to use Turnitin Draft Coach](#)
- [Understanding Turnitin Draft Coach](#)
- [Draft Coach FAQs for Instructors](#)
- [Turnitin Privacy Policy](#)

For additional questions on using Draft Coach contact Turnitin at <https://supportcenter.-turnitin.com/s/contactsupport>.