

## NON-PLAGIARISM AFFIRMATION

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I, \_\_\_\_\_, a candidate for the degree of \_\_\_\_\_, affirm that I will not and have NOT engaged in plagiarism. “Plagiarism: The act of appropriating the literary composition of another, or parts or passages of his/her writings, or the ideas or language of the same, and passing them off as the product of one’s own mind. To be liable for plagiarism, it is not necessary to exactly duplicate another’s literary work, it being sufficient if unfair use of such work is made by lifting a substantial portion thereof, but even an exact counterpart of another’s work does not constitute plagiarism if such counterpart was arrived at independently” (Black, 1979, p. 1035).

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