Avoiding Career Shattering Errors

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“If I have seen further than others it is by standing upon the shoulders of giants” (Isaac Newton). We all stand on the shoulders of giants. Honoring the intellectual contribution of our academic and professional ancestors is just as important as building on that foundation. It is only by acknowledging the work of others that we are able to distinguish our own ideas and careers. This presentation will stress the importance of respecting intellectual property and provide examples of careers that have been destroyed from intentional or accidental plagiarism. In addition, the complexities of intellectual property will be addressed as well as poor academic practices that can lead to inadvertent plagiarism.