

**THE STUDENT SENATE OF  
THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT CHARLOTTE**

**59th Legislative Assembly, 2nd Session**

**S.R. 59.2-8**

**RESOLUTION TO DISCOURAGE THE USE OF RESPONDUS LOCKDOWN  
BROWSER AND OTHER PROCTORING PROGRAMS REQUIRING THE USE OF  
AUDIO/VISUAL RECORDING**

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**Short Title:** Proctoring Program Discouragement Act  
**Primary Sponsor(s):** Jeremy Yagoda, *Chair of the Organizational Ways and Means Committee*  
**Secondary Sponsor(s):** Joe Wholey, *Chair of the Academic Affairs Committee*  
Alvin Cui, *Underclassman Senator-At-Large*  
Thomas Duke, *Vice Chair of the Organizational Ways and Means Committee*  
**First Reading:** February 2nd, 2023  
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**Referred To:** Fast-Tracked  
**Committee Report:**  
**Passage:** February 2nd, 2023  
**Enacted:**

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*Whereas*, the sudden change to hybrid campus operations due to the Covid-19 pandemic caused faculty to look for alternative ways to prevent and monitor academic misconduct; and,

*Whereas*, proctoring programs access a computer's most integral files, which may contain sensitive information,

*Whereas*, faculty have the ability to require a video recording of the room the student is working in; and,

*Whereas*, many students are unable to travel to campus outside of their class schedule to utilize University computers and facilities or have the ability to take an alternative class; and,

*Whereas*, not all disabilities require accommodations or the necessity for a student to disclose such disabilities to faculty; and.

*Whereas*, the most used proctoring programs, such as Respondus Lockdown Browser and Proctorio, utilize facial detection and eye-tracking software to determine where a student is looking and "automatically flag suspicious behavior during an exam"; and,

*Whereas*, students with undisclosed conditions are flagged by proctoring programs for activities that may be involuntary, forcing the student to report their disability to their professor to avoid receiving a penalty; and,

*Whereas*, it has been proven that proctoring programs are not effective at deterring academic integrity violations; and,

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*Whereas*, the Office of Civil Rights and Title IX, the Office of Legal Affairs, Student Accountability & Conflict Resolution, and the Center for Teaching and Learning have been consulted on the implications and use of proctoring programs.

*Therefore, be it resolved by the Student Senate of the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, as follows:*

**SECTION 1.** The Student Government Association seeks to formally discourage the use of Respondus Lockdown Browser with Monitor, Proctorio, and any other proctoring program that utilizes video and audio recording, in all courses.

**Mandates:**

Dr. Kevin Bailey, *Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs*

Dr. Christine Davis, *Associate Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs and Dean of Students*

Karen Shaffer, *Assistant Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs and Director of Student Engagement*

Adam Burden, *Advisor to the Senate and Director of Student Involvement*

Sharifa Fatao, *Press Secretary*

Sunnya Hadavi, *Niner Times*

Tatiana Larson, *Student Body President*

Donjrey Cuthbertson, *Student Body Webmaster*

Daniel Acree, *Legislative Clerk*

Jesh Humphrey IV, *Vice Chancellor for Institutional Integrity and General Counsel*

Laura Bizzell, *Assistant Director of Student Accountability and Conflict Resolution*

Dr. Michelle Reinken, *Director of Civil Rights and Title IX/Title IX Coordinator*

Amy Kelso, *Senior Associate General Counsel*

Garvey Pyke, *Executive Director of the Center for Teaching and Learning*

Jeff Meier, *Tech Team Manager*

Kiran Budhrani, *Director of Personalized & Adaptive Learning*

Alicia Bertone, *Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs*

All University Professors

I, Isaiah Grayson, hereby certify that this legislation was considered and adopted by the Student Senate of the University of North Carolina at Charlotte in accordance with the Constitution of the Student Body and the By-Laws of the Student Senate on this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023,

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Isaiah Grayson  
Speaker Pro Tempore of the Student Senate

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I, Tatiyana Larson, hereby signify my approval of this legislation as adopted by the Student Senate of the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

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Tatiyana Larson  
Student Body President