Academic Affairs, March 2021

The Academic Affairs Resolution, “**ON THE USE OF REMOTE PROCTORING SOFTWARE FOR ASSESSMENT**”, AS-3474-21/AA, was approved on March 19, 2021.

The resolution addressed issues reported from campus feedback responses and senators’ input, as well as those reported in current literature.

Concerns included:

discrimination as a function of skin tone,

compliance with the American Disabilities Act,

requiring student to have equipment they may not already own impeding access to education for low income students, and

requiring students in a shared space to use the proctoring software which may be considered an invasion of privacy.

This resolution:

1. Urges the faculty to avoid the use of remote proctoring software to recreate an in-person exam experience in a virtual setting,

2. Asks the Chancellor’s Office to continue to negotiate system-wide contracts with remote proctoring service providers to ensure that adequate data and privacy protection are included in those contracts, and

3. Ask the Chancellor’s Office to roll any existing campus contracts into a centrally negotiated contract to afford the protections noted above.

Academic Affairs had two other resolutions in first reading:

Cheating/plagiarism/academic dishonesty (specific faculty and administrative response),

Enhanced student advising services during implementation of the ethnic studies requirement.

These will be decided at the May Plenary.

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