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CASE STUDY

LIT
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Limerick Institute of Technology (LIT) is one of Ireland's fastest growing universities, offering undergraduate, postgraduate and flexible learning courses to nearly 7,000 students.

Sustaining security and quality assurance when switching to online proctoring

THE CHALLENGE

When the Covid-19 pandemic necessitated a switch from traditional in-hall exams to emergency remote assessment, LIT sought a remote proctoring solution that would seamlessly align with existing tools in its student Learning Management System, Moodle, while maintaining GDPR compliance to build a simple and user-friendly experience for students.

THE SOLUTION

LIT staff were provided with a range of assessment style options in order to meet individual programme and module needs, and this included online proctoring with Examity specifically. LIT staff chose Examity's live proctoring option where appropriate but also appreciated the availability of other exam modalities.

While the institution provided faculty with a spectrum of options for assessment – online open book, online proctored exam, etc. – the security and integrity of a proctoring solution proved critical for some examiners, and Examity's streamlined approach resonated with the needs of LIT Staff. Moreover, some LIT programmes have requirements to fulfill from external regulating bodies for accreditation purposes, and staff were reassured that Examity provided highly secure live proctoring for online exams.

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OUTCOMES

In the months since the onset of the pandemic, Limerick has successfully run three exam series (almost 70 tests across two semesters, serving approximately 2,000 exam sittings).

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LIT found that online proctoring proved to be an unexpectedly valuable tool in maintaining test integrity and security without interrupting student programmes because of the pandemic. In particular, faculty and staff appreciated that they could quickly and easily review video evidence when issues of academic integrity arose.

While local programme boards will ultimately determine the future of online assessment at LIT after the pandemic, it is noteworthy that new skill sets have been developed at both institutional and at individual levels. This allows for greater choice of assessment modalities and the proctored exams offer additional potential for flexible online assessment in this context.

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Curious to learn more about LIT and how Examity can support your online proctoring needs? Please contact us today.

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ABOUT EXAMITY

Examity was founded to meet the needs of universities, employers, and assessment providers looking to ensure test integrity. Since 2013, Examity has partnered with hundreds of organisations worldwide to provide a cost-effective and flexible online proctoring solution.