

# Associated Students of Cerritos College

## IN THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

December 8, 2021

Deputy Director of Equity and Diversity Parker introduced the following Resolution,  
Senator Criollo seconded the following Resolution

### A JOINT RESOLUTION

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#### Opposing the Usage of Proctorio for Proctoring Exams at Cerritos College JR-2122-02

**Whereas:** With the inability to physically proctor exams for students taking exclusively online courses, as well as some hybrid courses, faculty members need an additional form of proctoring which works digitally and can help eliminate common occurrences of cheating in online test administration environments;

**Whereas:** Several departments at Cerritos College, including the Biology department, utilize the digital software Proctorio for exams in courses such as Biology 120;

**Whereas:** This software must be installed on an individual's computer which is being used for testing administration, which can be problematic for students who do not have the ability to modify the installed software on their personal devices;

**Whereas:** The Student Accessibility Services webpage<sup>[1]</sup> granting information about testing for those with SAS accommodations recognizes that Proctorio fails to account for different behaviors among certain students, stating that "some students may exhibit behaviors that flag them as suspicious" when a faculty member uses Proctorio;

**Whereas:** The compulsory utilization and installation of Proctorio requires students to download and install *non-free*, otherwise known as *proprietary*, software as defined by the GNU Project<sup>[2]</sup>, which harms the freedom of students to know what is truly running on their personal devices and make informed decisions and changes to their system's software;

**Whereas:** Many of the features of Proctorio, such as the desk recording function, as well as other small data collected by the software, are a significant invasion on the privacy of students;

**Whereas:** Other departments in the College use alternative proctoring softwares or do not proctor exams at all, such as the Computer Information Systems department.

**Resolved:** The Associated Students of Cerritos College Senate opposes the usage of Proctorio by faculty of Cerritos College and requests that professors find alternative methods for proctoring online exams.

[1] <https://www.cerritos.edu/sas/sas-testing-accomms.htm>

[2] <https://www.gnu.org/philosophy/free-sw.en.html>

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## Amendment History

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### Final Senate Action

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**Date of final vote: 12/08/2021**

**Senators Voting Aye: Alamgir, Cao, Criollo, Dominguez, Gomez, Lavariere, & Lola**

**Senators Voting Nay:**

**Senators Abstaining:**

**Vote Count: 7 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain**

### Committee Referral

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**Referred to Committee? Yes/No**

**Committee Performing Review (if applicable):**

**Committee Chairperson:**

**Committee Action:** (Report complete disposition, amendments, committee vote, or date of final action.)

### Presidential Action

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**Presidential Action** (Approved or Veto): \_\_\_\_\_ Approved \_\_\_\_\_



**Presidential Signature: Sandra Abundio** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date: 12/14/2021**

**If vetoed, state reason:**