Why Use Respondus?

1. Respondus Lockdown Browser is a browser that has been customized to prevent access to any materials other than the exam. If LockDown Browser has been enabled on an exam, the students will be unable to access other URL’s, applications, and software. The ability to print or copy material is also disabled.

2. Respondus Monitor is a feature of LockDown Browser that requires students to use a webcam to record their online exams. If Respondus Monitor is enabled, students are required to have a microphone and webcam to complete the exam. After students complete the exam, instructors can review the recorded videos.

3. Decreases the possibility of cheating, by locking down the testing environment. Use Respondus Monitor to ensure that no other devices are used because the exam session will be recorded.

4. Easy integration with Moodle. Add the Respondus LockDown Browser block to your Moodle course and apply LockDown Browser and Monitor to your exams directly in Moodle. No external applications needed.

5. Increases instructor confidence and protects the integrity of online testing.
   - Decreases paper assessments.
   - Levels the playing field for students that don’t cheat.

Best Practices for Using Respondus

1. Provide the students with a practice quiz that uses LockDown Browser and Monitor to make sure they have the application installed correctly and they are not experiencing any issues. We recommended that the practice quiz be available at least 48 hours before an exam opens.

2. Provide a section in your syllabus iterating Respondus will be used in the course. Explain what Respondus is, how to download it and general guidelines for use. Also, provide a section for required technology in the syllabus and list a microphone and camera.

3. Verify that your quiz is setup properly to use Respondus before making it available to students. After applying LockDown Browser to a quiz via the Respondus Dashboard, from the course page click on the quiz and verify the message “The quiz has been configured so that students may only attempt it using the Respondus LockDown Browser” appears.

Please read the Respondus Faculty Guide @ online.coastal.edu under Faculty Resources

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