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Resources of Support in Times of Change

### 7 WAYS TO ASSESS STUDENTS ONLINE AND MINIMIZE CHEATING

#### THE CHRONICLE OF HIGHER EDUCATION

Flower Darby, an instructional designer and author, with James M. Lang, of *Small Teaching Online: Applying Learning Science in Online Classes* discusses in this Chronicle article ways to promote academic integrity in your virtual classroom without joining the “arms race” in cheating-prevention tools. Below is an overview of the tips mentioned in the article:

- Break up a big high-stakes exam into small weekly tests
- Start and end each test with an honor statement
- Ask students to explain their problem-solving process
- Get to know each student’s writing style in low- or no-stakes tasks
- Assess learning in online discussion forums
- Don’t base grades solely on tests
- Offer students choice in how they demonstrate their knowledge

To read the full article, visit [7 WAYS TO ASSESS STUDENTS ONLINE AND MINIMIZE CHEATING.](#)