



Enhancing academic integrity

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Enhancing academic integrity by reducing the risk of contract cheating

The QAA is developing capacity-building training for HE providers and quality assurance agencies worldwide, aimed at helping organisations combat the growing issue of contract cheating and essay mills.

Background

The use of essay mills

- What are essay mills?
- How many essay mills?
- Who owns/runs them?
- What is the scale of the problem?

Project: Anti-Contract Cheating Training

Project aim

- Produce training services to help reduce the opportunities for cheating in assessment from the use of essay mills

The project objectives

- Design an online training package
- Design face-to face training
- Design consultancy services

Tackling the problem

Background

Education (staff and students)

Deterrence

Detection

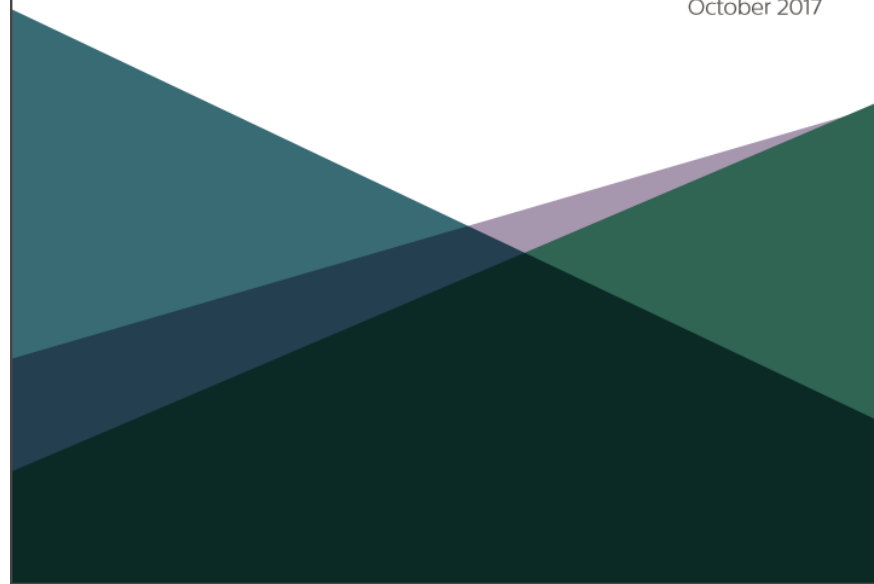
Regulations and policies



Contracting to Cheat in Higher Education

How to Address Contract Cheating, the Use of
Third-Party Services and Essay Mills

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On-line training tool

Anti-contract cheating training

- Who is it for?
- Definitions and key terms
- How essay mills work

Education

Staff

- Positive culture of academic integrity
- Training for staff
- Awareness raising

Students

- Information
- Support

Deterrence

- Assessment design
- Blocking essay mills
- Advertising

Detection

- Vivas
- Active on-line searching
- Detection software
- Knowing your students
- Whistleblowing

Regulation and policies

- Dealing with students who cheat
- Outcomes
- Appeals
- Monitoring
- Student involvement in panels and best practice

What next?

- Pilot the online learning
- Face to face training
- Bespoke consultancy



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