

Agile Assessors: Advantages and Disadvantages to In-Person and Remote Assessments

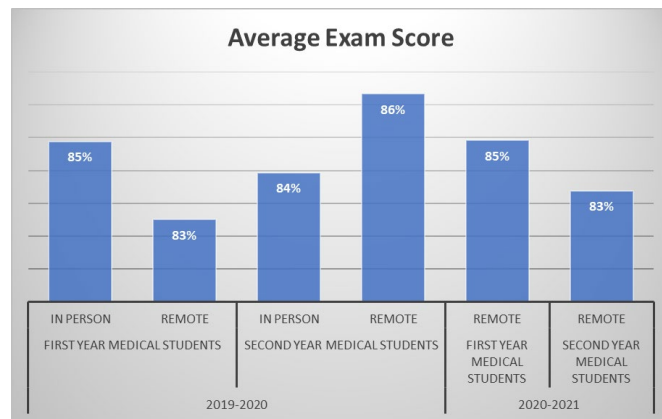
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- **Background:** MCW created an effective remote proctoring process quickly after the state shut down due to COVID-19. Prior to COVID-19, all exams were administered in-person, without an option for remote exams. After using in-person and remote exams, we recognized the advantages and disadvantages to both exam types. With the change to our assessment format, our biggest concern was how the students would perform on remote assessments compared to in-person assessments.

In-Person Assessments	
<u>Advantages</u>	<u>Disadvantages</u>
Easier to communicate	Human proctors needed
On-site tech support	Exams on campus only
Loaner laptops available	Multiple classrooms to accommodate large class sizes
No exam video reviews	Exam Team split up to support all exam rooms

Remote Assessments	
<u>Advantages</u>	<u>Disadvantages</u>
No human proctors needed	More difficult to communicate
Exams taken anywhere with internet connection	No on-site tech support
Exam videos recorded – can review suspicious behavior	No loaner laptops available
Exam Team together in virtual support room	All exam videos are reviewed by Exam Team

- **Results:** By calculating the average exam scores for first and second year medical students using in-person and remote assessments, here are the results.
 - First year medical students using in-person assessments: **85%**
 - First year medical students using remote assessments: **84%**
 - Second year medical students using in-person assessments: **84%**
 - Second year medical students using remote assessments: **84.5%**



- **Conclusion:** While there are advantages and disadvantages to both types of assessments, the student's average scores remained consistent. In the future, MCW would be comfortable administering both assessment types to the students.