

# CONTRACT CHEATING



## What is it?

Contract cheating is when you get someone else – whether paid or unpaid – to complete your assessment and submit it as your own. This includes:

- asking someone to sit an exam for you
- uploading your work to a site – such as “homework help” – for money or access to other assessments
- downloading and submitting assessments from websites or file-sharing platforms
- paying someone or a service to complete some or all of your work – it could be your tutor, another student, a friend or family member or a commercial cheating site

## Ask for ethical help

If you’re struggling, reach out for FREE support from:

- Your Course Coordinator
- Our [Learning Advisors](#)
- Our [Wellbeing Team](#)

## Why it's serious

At UniSQ, contract cheating is a breach of academic integrity. It can result in:

- Suspension or expulsion from the university
- A grade of zero for the assessment or course
- A record of misconduct on your student file
- Loss of trust and academic reputation

It can also put you at risk of blackmail.

Some cheating services have threatened to report students to their university or employer unless they pay more – sometimes long after the cheating occurred.

## How it's detected

UniSQ uses tools and expert review to detect contract cheating. Suspicious writing styles, and your metadata and online activity can trigger investigations – remember you leave a digital footprint.



Your education is worth more than a shortcut.