



### IRIS set up instructions for UNISA students





### What is IRIS?

**IRIS Invigilation (IRIS)** is a software program that helps provide UNISA staff with assurance of assessment integrity during online and remote assessment.

**IRIS** records audio, video, and computer screen activity for the duration of a test/exam. It analyses this information using machine learning and automatically flags potential academic dishonesty.





### How does IRIS work?

When IRIS is active it will be recording a video of you, captured through your computer's web camera. It will also be recording sound from your computer's microphone. Every few seconds it will take a screenshot of whatever is showing on your computer screen.





### Necessary equipment

- Stable internet connection
- Laptop or desktop IRIS does work on a phone or Tablet.
- External or built-in Microphone NO headset
- Web camera
- We recommend the minimum specifications for your computer to be 4GB RAM and Windows 7 64bit.



### How to install IRIS

- We recommend you use the latest version of Google Chrome to write your exam.
- Search for the Chrome Web Store.







### Navigate to Google CHROME web store



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#### Chrome Web Store

You can add new features to Chrome by installing extensions. Visit the **Chrome Web Store** on your desktop computer to discover hundreds of thousands of ... You've visited this page many times. Last visit: 2021/08/24



## Navigate to Google CHROME web store





### Search for IRIS – click on IRIS in results





### Click on Add to Chrome



### Click on Add extension

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### Pin IRIS to your taskbar



- We recommend pinning IRIS to your taskbar.
- Click on the Puzzle Piece Icon
- Then click on the pin

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The IRIS icon will appear on the chrome taskbar.



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### Follow UNISA instructions to write your exam

- Start your preferred browser (Google Chrome)
- Navigate to the myExam platform -<u>https://myexams.unisa.ac.za/portal/login</u>
- Logon with your myunisa username and password
- Click on your exam link
- Choose your exam module tab
- Then click on online assessment or e-assessment
- For online assessments IRIS will pop up as soon as you have clicked on online assessment.
- For E-assessments(take home exams) IRIS will pop up when you open the exam, after you have clicked on EAssessment
- Follow the IRIS instructions carefully
- Start your exam and wait for IRIS upload when you are done





If the browser shows pop-ups asking permission to access your camera and microphone, click "Allow" to proceed on using the plug-in.







An IRIS video will start playing to guide you through the setup process. You will need to select a webcam and microphone device, fill in your full name, student ID number, and then click "Next".





- You will be asked to hold your student cards or drivers license or ID book or passport clearly in front of your webcam
- Click on the "Capture ID Card" button. Once you have successfully taken a clear picture of your Student ID Card/photo ID, click on "Next".





IRIS will give more instructions and show you that the face detection technology is working by drawing a square around your face.





• Your setup is completed, click the Start Invigilation button





IRIS will ask you to share your screen and you will begin to be invigilated.





- When you are done with your exam IRIS will stop recording
- IRIS will now automatically upload some files
- Do not close the window until IRIS has finished uploading.





### When Does IRIS Pop – up?



For Online Assessments IRIS pops-up when you click on Online Assessment.

For eAssessments IRIS pops-up when you open the exam.

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	IRIS Practice TakeHome Examination					



### CSET Exam Site

- All CSET students have been added to an IRIS
   Practice Site
- Go to : <u>https://cset.myexams.unisa.ac.za/portal</u>
- Click on log in on the top right-hand corner of the page.
- Use your myunisa username and password to login.
- Then click on Sites on the top right-hand cornernext to your name.
- Now click on Exam Preparation October 2021.
- Read the information on the overview page.

### CSET Exam Site

This is what the IRIS Practice Site looks like. There is also a link where you find IRIS training videos and a Yammer Discussion Group link.

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	After you have downloaded IRIS you can test if it works correctly by attempting the two practice exams on this site. There is both an Online Assessment practice test and an EAssessment Practice test. You will find two videos on how to use IRIS on these two types of assessments at this location. IRIS Videos and Propertations.	Options						



### FAQ -Access Denied/PasswordError

Sometimes you may see the following screen if you try to access and MCQ/Online Assessment exam. Go to the next page to see how this error is fixed.

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#### IRIS MCQ/Samigo Exams – Password error

For MCQ Samigo Online Assessments a password is required for you to access your exam. This password is auto populated by IRIS. IRIS must activate as soon as you click on the online assessment tab, and you must then complete all the steps correctly to start the invigilation process. If IRIS was activated and the process was completed correctly then the password will be auto-populated and you will have access to your exam.

If for some reason the password was not filled in, or you get access denied error even though the password was filled do the following:

- If IRIS is open then close it.
- Logout of my exams
- Clear your Browser cache. .(Hold down CTRL+SHIFT+DEL and the click Clear Data)
- Close your browser.
- Open your browser and start your exam again.
- Complete all instructions, ensure your screen is shared and Start Invigilation
- Do not change the password, or enter your own password. Tick the honor pledge box and start the assessment.



#### FAQ -Take Home Assessments – IRIS Does not pop up

Take home examinations do not have a password linked to it so you will be able to access the exam without using IRIS. According to UNISA policy you have to ensure that IRIS is running for an IRIS invigilated examination. In some instances IRIS may not pop-up when you open an exam. This is most often due to network load and many students accessing the exam at the same time.

If IRIS does not pop up when you open a take home exam then you have to do the following:

- Logout of my exams
- Clear your Browser cache.(Hold down CTRL+SHIFT+DEL and the click Clear Data)
- Close your browser.
- Open your browser and start your exam again.
- Complete all instructions, ensure your screen is shared and Start Invigilation

You may have to do this a few times. You exam is open 15min before the start time, make use of this so that you can resolve any issues you may have with IRIS.



### FAQ-Unexpected Error has occurred



If your network connection is not good, the above message may pop up while you are writing your exam. You can close IRIS and reload/refresh the examination page again using the reload option on your browser. You will continue from where you left off with the exam. If the problem persists, please continue with the exam and send screen shots of your error to your lecturer.



#### **IRIS Does Not Close**

- When you are done with your exam IRIS will start automatically uploading some files.
- Do not close the window until IRIS has finished uploading.
- IRIS will close automatically when it is done.
- IRIS should not take more that 15 minutes to upload.
- You can let IRIS run for 15 mins after the exam has finished. If IRIS has not closed by then you can close IRIS and finalise recordings by "right clicking " on the iris icon on the top of the browser, choose finalise recordings and then click on the submit button on the pop – up window.
- If you get an "unexpected error has occurred" message when you click on submit, then please do not worry about this. Send a screen shot of the error to your lecturer and then close IRIS.



### IRIS window just says loading

- If after you have opened IRIS the window simply says loading then the most likely cause is your internet connection, please check the speed of you connection.
- If your connection is fine then, restart your pc.
- Open necessary applications only.
- You can also try removing the extension and re-installing.



# I am using Windows, IRIS does not recognise my mic and or webcam

This is likely to be a Chrome or Edge browser permissions issue. Sometimes users click "do not allow" accidentally or on purpose while the browser is asking for permission to use mic or webcam. Follow these steps:

- Type this into the Chrome or Edge address bar to get to the mic and camera permissions: <u>chrome://settings/content</u> or <u>edge://settings/co</u> <u>ntent</u>
- Click on either Camera or Microphone
- Chrome Ensure IRIS is in the Allow list and not Blocked
   Edge Make sure your site permissions for camera and
   mic are set to "Ask first" and not set to "Blocked".



You can try following solutions for general mic and or webcam issues irrespective of the Operating System you are using:

- General issues with audio/video/desktop feeds can be encountered during all steps of the setup wizard as the inputs start receiving data. If all of a sudden, you see the error screen, it might again be due to the mic/cam permissions. If it's not that, then another thing to check is that you can use your mic/cam in a 3rd party Chrome webpage. This is a good tool to use: <u>https://webcammictest.com/</u>.
- If still having issues with the cam/mic, check if your camera and mic works using a 3rd party program such as Skype, this is a good way to rule out cam/mic issues. Around 95% of the mic/cam issues are due to the users' mic/cam permissions either in browser or set by OS for MAC users.
- Sometimes, 3rd party programs lock access to the cam and mic. You can try restart the machine/computer. When you log back in, only open the necessary programs they need to run the plugin. This might free up access to use the cam/mic.



## **Finalise Recordings**

- If our student's session was recorded but not successfully uploaded, then we advise our student to "Finalize recordings".
- Open the web browser that was used for the IRIS-invigilated exam (Chrome or Edge)
- Login to myExams at <u>https://myexams.unisa.ac.za/port</u> <u>al/login</u>
- Right-click on the IRIS icon on the top right of the browser window and choose "Finalise Recordings"
- Click the submit button and wait for the recordings to upload.





Contact the Student Communication Service Centre (SCSC) on 080 000 1870 ,email <u>Examenquiries@unisa.ac.za</u> or <u>CSETexams@unisa.ac.za</u> (cc your lecturer) as soon as you encounter an error or discover a problem with your online exam/assessment submission.

Do not PANIC – You will be allowed extra time if necessary.

Please remember....

It is your responsibility to demonstrate integrity by reading and following the instructions and completing your exam without assistance.



# **IRIS** Invigilation

Good luck with your exam

