Generative Al at Penn State

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Generative Al Current State

Working Group established October 2022

- Tools Evolving
 - Many new proprietary and open LLMs
 - Microsoft CoPilot \$30/month
 - Claude 2 free beta, Constitutional AI
 - ChatGPT Plus plugins enable data analysis, internet access
 - Bulk of training data still frozen in time

Al safety and emerging regulation

- Several open cases about AI and copyright
- Congressing drafting new rules on AI (competitiveness vs. safety)
- Is ingestion of copyrighted works in training a copyright violation?
- Can you copyright AI-generated works? (No)
- Nature of AI and impact on society is open question
 - · Impact on productivity and learning
 - reasoning ability

Challenges

- University Procurement Policy
 - ChatGPT to be designated as "tool" not "courseware"
 - AD95 Data Sensitivity
- Academic Integrity
 - Detectors don't work
 - Proctoring is expensive
 - Establishing expectations with students is best policy
- Many instructional strategies are discipline-specific
 - Type of writing (technical, creative, scholarly, business, argumentation)
 - Coding and data analysis
 - Research

Equity

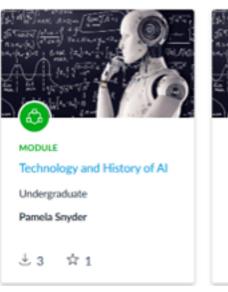
- Inequity in access, understanding
- GPT 3.5 (free) vs GPT4 (paid) vs Claude, CoPilot, etc.

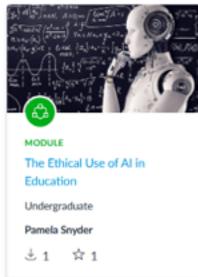


Al Literacy Unit

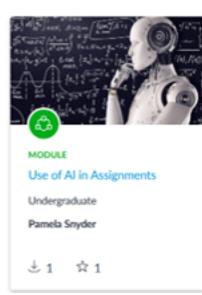
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- Canvas Modules use as Al orientation
- Develop foundation for appropriate and effective use of Al
- Begin to establish norms with student









Improving Student Use of Al

- Idea generation and elaboration*
- Knowledge checks, feedback, iterative learning
- Writing partner (draft, summarize, restate, reformat)*
- Problem solving with data analysis and coding
- **Prompt Engineering** go beyond simple prompts



^{*} Submit intermediate deliverables, cite AI use

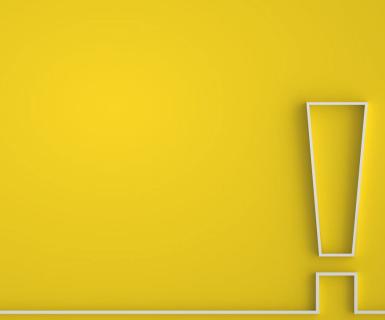
Research Integrity

- Upcoming Al Literacy Module
- Research Misconduct plagiarism and fabrication
- Sensitive data and privacy
- Considerations for publishing



What You Can Do Now!

- Discuss specific strategies within your disciplinary communities
- Review all assignments consider revisions (try it out in 1-2 assignments)
- Communicate explicit position on AI to students (in syllabi and assignment instructions)
- Work with Dutton Institute to evaluate your assignments



Save the Date!

Join Chris Millet and the Dutton Institute for our upcoming workshop on generative AI!

October 18, 2023, 12 – 1 pm

Stay tuned for location and more details!



Consultations on Al for your class?

Contact Stevie Rocco – stevier@psu.edu to get set up for a personal consultation with a learning designer!