

Understanding Generative AI in Education

What is Generative AI (GenAI)?



A type of artificial intelligence that generates new content such as images, videos, text, and audio using patterns found in existing data.

How It Works



Forming a Database

Collects large volumes of data from the internet & other sources to identify patterns and structures.



Inputting a Prompt

User provides instructions or questions to guide the AI's output.



Generating Content

AI combines patterns and context from its data to produce original responses or media.

Key Considerations



Accuracy Risks

AI can produce incorrect or fabricated information. Always verify facts and sources.



Understand Limitations

AI lacks human judgment and context. It may misinterpret nuance and often uses outdated data.



Ethical Implications

AI-generated content can carry bias, privacy risks, and fairness issues. Models are trained on large datasets that may reflect biases and may include sensitive data.



Risk of Overreliance

AI cannot replace human expertise or pedagogical insight; overuse can weaken learning quality.



Environmental Impact

AI systems consume significant energy and water for data processing and cooling.

Why Faculty Should Explore GenAI

Model Ethical AI Use

Guide students in responsible practices, academic integrity, data privacy, and ethical decision-making for your particular discipline.

Enhance Learning & Efficiency

Use AI to adapt content for diverse needs, improve accessibility, simplify complex topics, and streamline tasks like drafting and summarizing.

Equip Students for the Future

Integrate AI to build skills in digital literacy, problem-solving, and collaboration for an AI-driven workforce.



Try and Learn

See our website and Liguides for guidance on using GenAI tools like ChatGPT, MS Copilot, Gemini & Perplexity

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