

## **3710.2 Artificial Intelligence**

Generative artificial intelligence (AI) is defined any type of software, i.e. algorithm, that is capable of creating, writing, or rewriting any form of content, including but not limited to text, artwork, graphics, imagery, audio, video, and music. Generative AI tools are distinct from search engines in that they generate content. Submitting content created by any of the above means, either in its original or edited form, will be considered as using generative AI.

Many assignments in courses are designed to develop the student's voice and perspective through personal reflection, research, and the interpretation of content created by others. The use of generative AI of any kind in these types of assignments poses the risk that that such work, its purpose, and ultimately any benefit that it could provide to the student's learning experience might be undermined and will be graded accordingly.

Instructors of record are free to establish their own protocols regarding student use of generative AI tools in their courses, including allowing or disallowing some or all use of such tools, provided that:

- 1) such protocols are consistent with applicable University policies, including those of academic standards and conduct, and the proper use and attribution of the intellectual property of others.
- 2) instructors of record who allow the use of generative AI in their classes incorporate protocols into their course syllabi and/or course content, and explicitly communicate how this technology may be used by students.

If an AI statement is not included on the course syllabus and/or course content, then the default position is that students may not use any type of generative AI to complete course work. Using generative AI to complete any assignment or exam or portion thereof, without explicit permission of the instructor of record, will constitute an academic integrity violation and may result in penalties. Students who are unsure of policies or protocols regarding generative AI tools are encouraged to ask their instructors for clarification.

In cases where unauthorized use of AI is suspected, it is incumbent on the instructor of record to review carefully the content for signs of generative AI use. Ultimately, the decision as to whether generative AI has been used by a student will be based on the instructor of record's subject matter expertise and discretion.