



AI Use Policy for Students

Purpose

As a Christian academic community, Erskine seeks to glorify God by equipping students to integrate knowledge and faith. This policy guides the responsible use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) tools in ways that uphold academic integrity, foster spiritual and intellectual growth, and prepare students for lives of service, leadership, and influence.

1. Guiding Principles

- AI tools are powerful resources that can support learning, creativity, and productivity. However, their use must align with our commitment to truth, integrity, and the formation of whole persons.
 - Students are called to pursue excellence in their studies as an act of worship and stewardship of their God-given gifts.
 - The use of AI must reflect the values of honesty and accountability in both academic and spiritual life.
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2. Acceptable Uses

Unless otherwise prohibited by the instructor, AI tools may be used to:

- Brainstorm ideas or structure assignments.
 - Practice skills (e.g., language learning, coding, writing).
 - Improve grammar and punctuation (provided AI assistance is properly cited).
 - Generate study aids or explore concepts for deeper understanding.
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3. Prohibited Uses

Students must not use AI tools to:

- Complete assignments, exams, or assessments **without explicit instructor permission**.
- Misrepresent AI-generated content as their own original work.
- Bypass the learning process or undermine the development of critical thinking and character.
- Create or disseminate content that is false or harmful.

4. Instructor and Course Guidelines

- Instructors may set specific expectations for AI use in their courses.
- Students are responsible for reviewing and following course-specific AI guidelines provided in syllabi or assignment instructions.

5. Academic Integrity and Faith Integration

- All AI use must comply with the institution's Academic Integrity Policy.
- Students must **disclose** any use of AI in academic work.
 - Sample disclosure: *"This section was developed with the assistance of Copilot."*
- Integrity in academic work is a reflection of integrity in life and faith. Misuse of AI is not only a violation of policy but a breach of trust within our Christian community.

6. Privacy and Responsibility

- Students should not input personal, sensitive, or confidential information into AI tools.
- Use of AI must reflect responsible use of technology, respecting the dignity and privacy of others.

7. Consequences of Misuse

Violations of this policy may result in academic penalties (e.g., grade reduction, assignment failure, dismissal from the course, or disciplinary action by the Dean of the College).

8. Ongoing Discernment

As AI technology evolves, we commit to ongoing discernment about its role in education and formation. This policy will be reviewed regularly to ensure it continues to reflect our mission and values.

Questions or Concerns?

Students are encouraged to speak with their instructors if they are unsure about appropriate AI use. We are committed to walking alongside students as they learn to use technology wisely and faithfully.