Artificial Intelligence Ad Hoc Committee Update

For GBC Faculty Senate

2/12/23

The AI committee met on 1/30/24. Attached to the bottom of this report.

The committee is working on the following for faculty,

1. **Research and benchmarking in conjunction with other Nevada institutions.**
2. **Creating a Best Practices webpage for faculty on AI and its usage.**
3. **Determining future interest in training for current AI detection tools.**
4. **Discussing applications available and usage of new AI applications.**

AI Committee Meeting

January 30, 2024/ 10:00 A.M./VIA ZOOM

https://gbcnv-edu.zoom.us/j/81677001774?pwd=Z0hEaXA3L2x1QWt4L2N3STMrM2FqUT09

Attendees

Chair: Madison Arbillaga.

Members: Daniel Murphree, Staci Warnert, Dean Straight, Laura Debenham, Di Li, John Mittelman, Robert Hunton

Agenda

1. **Welcome**
2. **Action: Approve Meeting Minutes from the December 13th, 2023 Meeting**
3. **Review: Any updates**
4. **Discuss: Turnitin**
5. **Information items from committee members**
6. **Next meeting**

Items currently in progress:

1. **Research and benchmarking in conjunction with other Nevada institutions.**
2. **Creating a Best Practices webpage for faculty on AI and its usage.**
3. **Determining future interest in training for current AI detection tools.**

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 10:06 am.

Madison asked the group to think about how often they would like to meet and she would come back to it later in the meeting.

Madison then updated the group that Yvonne has not had a chance to speak with her UNLV counterpart for an update.

Madison inquired if there were any comments about Turnitin and stated she had noticed it to be a lot more sensitive. There was a comment about the faculty using Grammarly. She also stated with this being such a new thing and a sensitive field there have been lawsuits filed. Daniel stated that during one of his seminars he attended the same thing was mentioned. Dean commented that even some students are worried that spell and grammar checks will be included in this, which is not the case. There was a more general discussion.   The basic consensus is to stick with our current

policy based on how much the instructor wants to use the program, the sensitivity, industry, and best practices.

Daniel asked about a prior discussion at Faculty Senate regarding the cheating policy and was advised Artificial Intelligence be added to denote what "AI '' stands for.

Stacy brought up for discussion that it has been brought to her attention that there is an AI grading assistant and is wondering what would the best practices for the faculty be on this. She also stated that there is a cost for the program. During the group discussion, it was noted that it is very inconsistent and Dean stated it is called STUKENT. The discussion continued regarding expectations, guidelines, concerns, or faculty not looking at my students' work or how they know what the students' needs are.

Laura mentioned a great aid for this subject is Munchbytes on Thursdays. They have had a lot of good stuff on this subject.

Dean mentioned our part-time faculty are using Pearson, which is not an AI-driven but product-driven program.

Robert brought up an issue regarding writing and then AI came along. How do we handle this? There was a great deal of general discussion with a consensus of technology vs critical thinking. This is the way of the future. There will be some classes that AI will not be allowed to be used in due to the fact the student won't obtain the foundation, knowledge, or skills needed to progress.

Daniel inquired if there would be a class coming soon for the students to take and Dean mentioned not at this time. During the discussion of this topic, the general consensus was that this needs to be taught across the disciplines not from just one area, with the faculty needing to integrate it into their classes to make it more beneficial for the students.   There was a comment that some institutions are already implementing classes on the subject.

Madison thanked the group for a great discussion and received a consensus that a monthly meeting would be good on this matter at this time. She suggested that we come with more information on the grading assistant for our February meeting.

Meeting adjourned.