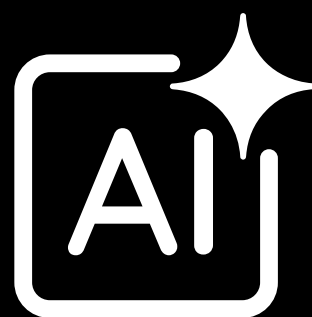


GENERATIVE



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GenAI refers to tools (like ChatGPT) that can create content (for example, text, images, code, music, and videos) based on patterns from large amounts of data. Even without understanding, they can generate convincing responses or explanations quickly. These tools can also “hallucinate”—producing information that sounds convincing but is actually false.

Having academic integrity means knowing how and when to use these tools appropriately. Some teachers may permit the use of some GenAI tools, while other teachers do not permit them at all. **It is your responsibility to understand and follow your teachers' expectations. Even unintentional inappropriate use will be considered academic misconduct.**

There are many GenAI tools and uses that can be considered academic misconduct. Below are some tools that students often misuse (often without realizing it!) or use without permission from teachers. There are other GenAI tools not included here whose use would be considered academic misconduct.

ESSAY & ASSIGNMENT WRITING

Using tools to generate essays, reports, analysis, or responses can be considered misconduct, as well as using tools to paraphrase ideas, revise one's writing or replace original thinking.

Examples:



ChatGPT



Jasper



Quillbot



Grammarly

RESEARCH

Using GenAI tools is not the same as doing valid, academic research. Because it hallucinates, it can produce inaccurate information, and incorrect citations. Research needs to be verified.

Examples:



ChatGPT



Gemini

COURSEWORK / HOMEWORK

Receiving unauthorized aid on assessments that are to be done without GenAI is considered academic misconduct.

Examples:



Brainly

STEM & COMP. SCI.

Using GenAI tools to complete assignments or labs can count as academic misconduct, such as copying GenAI solutions or code, or using them to write calculations or interpretations.

Examples:



ChatGPT



Wolfram Alpha



Photomath



GitHub Copilot

Remember, if you are unsure of a certain GenAI tool or its use is inappropriate, always consult with your teacher.

Generative Decision Tree

START ►

**DO YOU HAVE PERMISSION
TO USE GENAI IN THIS
COURSE?**

YES

Do you have permission
to use GenAI in this
assignment?

NO


Do not use GenAI


NO


Do not use GenAI

YES

Do you understand how
to use GenAI
appropriately for this
assignment?


NO

Consult with your
teacher
immediately 

YES

Are you verifying the
GenAI output for
accuracy and bias?

NO

Always verify, as GenAI
can produce errors or
fabricated content 

YES

Will you be citing your
use of GenAI in the
assignment?


NO

Not citing GenAI properly
is plagiarism and
academic misconduct 

YES

Do you know how to credit
or acknowledge GenAI use
when you use it?

NO


Not crediting GenAI, or not
crediting it properly, is
academic misconduct. Consult
with your teacher immediately.
For information on citing
GenAI, visit:
[APA](#) [MLA](#)

YES

Good! Consider visiting the
Writing Centre to verify that
you have done this properly.