

Educational Policy and Planning Committee (EPPC)

**MINUTES**

April 25, 2023 | 9:00am

via Zoom: <https://ucdenver.zoom.us/j/97522609238>

**In attendance:** Chair, Wendy Bolyard, School of Public Affairs; Matthew Shea, College of Architecture and Planning; Jing Zhang, School of Business; Christopher Merkner, English; Jefferson Knight, School of Liberal Arts and Sciences; Dennis DeBay, SEHD; Kaiya Schroeder, Library.

**Absent:**

1. **Call to order** – Wendy called the meeting to order at 9:01am.
2. **Approval of Minutes from March** –Minutes approved.
3. **Shanna Mae Petersen**, Director of Student Conduct and Community Standards Academic Integrity Policy as related to ChatGPT/AI
  - Shanna talks about academic integrity as related to ChatGPT/AI.
  - Shanna asked: Have you faced any difficulties with chatGPA used by students?
  - Jeff: I have not used chatGPA yet, still exploring
  - Chris: I will explore more in the summer.
  - Dennis: We have held several discussion sessions about ChatGPT.
  - Matt: Architecture courses have not been impacted much.
  - Jing: My intermediate financial accounting course has not been impacted much. However, other courses which include case writing are impacted. Some students did ask ChatGPT to write cases for them. It is hard for professors to detect whether ChatGPT has been used by students.
  - Wendy: How to implement ChatGPT in the class in the right way? Maybe we can add something in the syllabus about classroom policy regarding ChatGPT.
  - Kaiya: What surveillance tools are available to detect AI-related cheating? We need more guidance about how those tools do their work and whether there is any equity issue.
  - Shanna: We are still in the process of figuring out how to effectively use ChatGPT in education. One way to catch cheating using chatGPT is to look at references. Depending on the nature of the course, some faculty can use ChatGPT to improve teaching efficiency. There will be more detection softwares available.
  - Jeff: ChatGPT can not analyze students' data, but can help students improving writing the paper such as abstract.
  - Matt: Some students can use ChatGPT to write codes for Python. ChatGPT is very good at writing codes.
  - Shanna: ChatGPT can come up with detailed business plan.

- Shanna: How does ChatGPT affect academic integrity? ChatGPT is the same as using Chegg or asking others to do the work. The challenge is faculty discretion. Some faculty may not feel comfortable about turning in students using ChatGPT. Is there any training for faculty to detect cheating using ChatGPT?
- Wendy: Faculty should specify in the syllabus about what tools can be used in their assignments.
- Dennis: There are so many issues about detecting software, such as privacy issue, different definition of plagiarism.
- Jeff: There will be lots of work for instructors to modify assignments. Plus that the AI technology is constantly evolving.
- Chris: If I assigned a paper to student, how does the detection software work?

#### **4. Elections**

- Nomination received for vice chair; no nominations from the floor.
- Christopher is nominated for vice chair. Christopher received a unanimous vote.
- We can nominate secretary in the fall. We will have more members in the Fall.

#### **5. Budget crisis conversation – any new concerns?**

- Wendy: The next round of cuts will be very painful.
- Matt: There should be true analysis about how much money has been saved. We have to be really careful about what can be cut in the next round.
- Wendy: We have to also think about the impact of some cuts on students.
- Jeff: I have not heard about students' financial aid.
- Matt: Students' financial aid is not in the operating budget.
- Kaiya: Increasing class size will put too much burden on faculty members.

#### **6. Other business/announcements – none reported.**

#### **7. Next meeting – This is the last meeting for 2022-2023 academic year.**

#### **8. Adjournment**

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