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Abstract

Updates on training and support and useful pedagogical resources compiled and sent by the JCCTL on January 20, 2023.

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Upcoming Events:

- ChatGPT 101
- Summer course info session

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JCCTL mailer - GPTchat, summer courses, and more

Colleagues-

I hope that your first semester has started off well! We have two sessions planned this coming week. Both take place on Thursday and we hope to see you at either or both.

GPTChat 101

With Melissa Forbes (English, Writing Center) and Clif Presser (Computer Science)

Thursday 1/26; 12:15 – 12:45

Many of you have no doubt heard of ChatGPT, a program that uses recent advancements in artificial intelligence (AI) to answer complex prompts with relevant and human-sounding writing. [ChatGPT and other programs like it are highly capable](#) and will transform the landscape of teaching and learning in the coming years.

In response to this technological shift, JCCTL and the Writing Center are organizing a series of sessions exploring ChatGPT's capabilities and the ways it will push us to rethink our learning goals and assignment prompts.

Our first session is called **ChatGPT 101**. This short session is intended for people who are unfamiliar or less familiar with ChatGPT and its capabilities. We will put ChatGPT through its paces, offer technical and historical context, and map out some of the ways it will impact our teaching practice.

More focused follow-up sessions will be offered in the coming weeks which will address how ChatGPT will affect student learning in different contexts, and whether (and how) we should encourage students to use ChatGPT.

We [have also created a resource guide](#) for engaging with AI text generators in our classrooms. This document will be updated periodically over the semester as new insights and recommendations become available.

Summer course info session

Thursday, 1/26; 4 PM, CUB 260

If you are interested in teaching an online summer course for the first time or if you'd like a refresher for a course previously taught, the Office of the Provost and the JCCTL will hold an information session on January 26th at 4PM in CUB 260.

Refreshments will be provided. If you plan to attend, please RSVP to Kara Flythe at kflythe@gettysburg.edu by January 25th.

As always, I welcome your suggestions on topics and formats you would find helpful. Thank you,

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