

Navigating the Intersection of AI and Foreign Language Learning: Challenges, Opportunities, and **Ethical Integration in Higher Education - A case study**

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Academic Year 22-23 Expectation







Academic Year 22-23 Reality

ChatGPT: Cardiff students admit ChatGPT: Can students pass using AI using AI on essays tools at university?

Students switch to AI to learn languages







Cardiff University said it is aware of the potential impact of AI programmes on assessments and coursewo









Christine Ro uses ChatGPT to practise her Spanish

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Today's presentation

- Context and AI in HE
- Our project (overview, results)

And what about the future (for us, for you...)?

Context

• Russell Group Universities (July 2023)

'HEIs have the responsibility to ensure students and staff are AI literate.'

- Student perceptions on AI (Jisc, August 2023 & May 2024)
 - The importance of continuing the conversation with students and learners as technology continues to evolve.
 - Safe, responsible, accessible and adaptive genAl experience, uniformly applied across their education, delivered by AI-literate educators.



The use of AI in language learning and and assessment



Impact of the rise of AI

Students' reliance on AI to produce

No definite guidance from the University

Grey area: what can we do? What can students do? What is acceptable?

Skewed results (especially in coursework)

The Al project: working with students

- **Students' perception and use of Al-Survey**
- **Reflective workshops- discussion with students on the use and challenges of** AI
- Practical workshops-Supporting students' use of AI (learning support and support and ethical use)

Survey insights

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collaborative work.

Student Perceptions

The survey revealed students' varying confidence levels in using AI for language learning, as well as their preferred tools and concerns around data privacy.

Attitudes Towards Integration

The survey also explored students' openness to incorporating AI into the curriculum and their ideas for ethical AI-AI-powered activities.



Al Usage Patterns

Students reported on how they currently currently integrate AI into their language language learning, both for independent independent practice and collaborative

Survey insights

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Student Perceptions

- 72% of students sometimes use chatbots (6 % never, 22% yes, regularly).
- 67% state their knowledge of chatbots is limited ٠ limited or nonexistent (28% adequate, 6% high). high).

Attitudes Towards Integration

- 56% would welcome a more integrated approach by the university on the use of AI chatbots in class exercises and assessments. 36% for in class exercises only.
- 56% believe AI may impact academic integrity and contribute to academic misconduct (17% positive, 28% neutral).

Al Usage Patterns

Most students use AI for writing cultural essays (22%), Other 22% (grammar points, points, summaries, references, questions for questions for exams), translation work (19%), (19%), personal research (16%) language language essays (13%), speaking practice

practice (9%). 55% of students have concerns or some concerns regarding privacy and use of their data. 45% are concerned or very concerned about data misuse (33% neutral, 23% not concerned).

3. Do you use AI (Artificial Intelligence) chatbots on a regular basis?



5. How would you gualify your knowledge of Chatbots?

More Details



If you have used AI chatbots for language learning, which language(s) have you used to "talk" with your chatbot?

translation

ideas

japanese English	Frenc
German	F





h spanish

Portuguese and French

8. In your opinion, what are the most useful functions of AI Chatbot (e.g. summarise texts, paraphrase, give

personal works starting point information for essays

outline essay

essavs

better phrasing

specific information

Giving ideas mainly use

10. How do you think AI chatbots improve your learning at university?

Massively reduce stress. Provides me essentially with a 24/7 free personal tutor (even if it's not perfect)

They help less with learning more with brainstorming / structuring things already learnt

Using an AI chatbot feels like the equivalent of having every dictionary available but with much faster access times. For language learning they may be able to tell you why something is wrong, where native speakers perhaps couldn't.

i can have conversations with them

allow me to better understand tricky concepts

11. Are you already paying or willing to pay for a better version of ChatGPT/other AI chatbot?

More Details



15. Do you have any concerns regarding privacy and use of your data whilst using chatbots?



12. Would you welcome a more integrated approach by the university on the use of AI chatbots in class exercices and assessments?

More Details

Yes, on both 10 lot at all 1 Yes, but only on assessment 0 Yes, but only in class exercices 7



I don't believe they should be encouraged for content of assessments however could be integrated into constructing research in class

I think it I important to keep up with current technology

Maybe explaining how we can best use AI for summarising, etc.

to explain how to use it more effectively

I think it needs to be addressed so students know more productive ways to use it and can be helpful in certain cases

it would be interesting to see the kind of tasks we would be able to do with the AI

I think they should become normalised and less of a taboo subject as so many people use them and I think they are the future





16. To what extent do you believe AI technologies may impact academic integrity and contribute to academic misconduct?



Whether it's the perpetual outsourcing of our thinking abilities to this technology, or whether it's personalised AI teacher chatbots for every student, I think AI will spell the end of university as we know it. Yes, there will be students who use it in an unethical way, but this is not the biggest threat that universities should be thinking about. In the end plagiarism wont matter as the texts produced will one day be indistinguishable from human-generated text.

18. How concerned are you about the potential misuse of the data you provide when interacting with AI chatbots in educational contexts?

More Details

Very concerned
Concerned
Neither concerned nor unconce...
Not very concerned
Not concerned at all



I think that it makes work less genuine, with less heart and that AI will never be able to replicate the care and passion that goes into academia.

Reflective workshop

AI and Language Confidence

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Students discussed how AI can help them gain confidence and become more independent in their language skills.

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Best AI Tools for Languages

The group shared their knowledge and opinions on the most effective AI programs for language learning.

Group vs. Independent Work

Students explored the benefits of using AI in AI in both collaborative and individual language learning activities.

Assessment and AI

The workshop considered the need for training training on how to use AI ethically and effectively in language learning.

Activities in class using AI

Students described the type of activities they they would like to explore using AI in the classroom.

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Ethical AI Integration

Students discussed how AI could be used for used for assessments.

Reflective workshop

Al and Language Confidence

Students discussed how AI can help them them gain confidence and become more more independent in their language skills., skills., but also critical. Balance.

Group vs. Independent Work

Consensus to use AI mainly for independent work. They can also see the see the benefits for group work (prompts, (prompts, questions, debate topics,

brainstorming).

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Assessment and Al

Al as facilitator of practice and preparation in preparation in preliminary stages. Not a a replacement of their own work. Particularly Particularly useful for grammar or fill in the the gap tests, spelling tests, planning structure of essays

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Best AI Tools for Languages

The group shared their knowledge and opinions opinions on the most effective AI programs for for language learning (DeepL, ChatGPT, Quiz Plus, Quiz Plus, reverso and Snapchat AI)

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Activities in class using AI

Generate games, identifying AI errors, errors, how to use prompting effectively, effectively, translation activities and speaking/conversation exercises.

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Ethical AI Integration

Compulsory training, dos and don'ts, a specific specific person to check in doubt (instead of (instead of having information displayed on the on the intranet), help sheet in module handbook.

REFLECTIVE WORKSHOP OUTCOMES

Confidence

- Advantages of using AI but also critical and admit there are limitations in its use
- Can help with grammar and explanation of concepts but there is consensus towards a balanced approach, where Al supplements traditional learning and teaching

Al tools

- The majority seem to like and use DeepL. They think this a vital resource, highlighting its ability to not just translate but also offer contextually appropriate options and allow for customisation by changing specific words
- Other tools mentioned are ChatGPT, Quizlet plus, reverso and snapchat AI

Group Work

- The general consensus suggests that while AI is predominantly utilised for independent study, its potential in facilitating group work is also recognised and valued (prompts, questions, debate topics, brainstorming of ideas)

REFLECTIVE WORKSHOP OUTCOMES

Activities

- Generate games or activities
- Identifying AI errors and how to use it effectively with prompting
- Translation
- Conversation

AI & Assessment

- Al as a facilitator of practice and preparation in preliminary stages rather than as a complete replacement for humanled assessment efforts.
- Grammar or gap fill exercises
- Spelling tests
- Planning structure for

essays

Training

- handbook

 Overwhelmingly positive, some even want this to

be compulsory

They want to know what

they can do and can't do

• A person they can consult

or check instead of

having information

displayed on the Intranet

Help sheet in module

Practical Workshop

The Plan

The practical workshop focused focused on using AI tools like like ChatGPT, Perplexity, Elicit, Elicit, Gencraft, Gamma, and Videogen to enhance language language skills.

Skill Areas

Students explored how these AI tools can support speaking, writing/grammar revision, and visual/presentation skills.

AI Tools

The workshop provided handshands-on experience with the the key features and applications of each AI tool for for language learning.

Feedback from the practical workshop







More Regularly

In a better way

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As a help for revision

To practice on your own time

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Feedback from the practical workshop







Working with students

Al-powered learning

Implementing accessible and inclusive language learning activities and resources at the school level

Collaborative approach

Working in partnership with students and tutors to create clear and ethical guidelines



Ongoing research

Collaborating with with other HE stakeholders for continuous improvement

Student centred collaboration

Student form: Use of Ai for module xxx

• It may be tempting to use Chat GPT and other tools to do your work for you; but your tutor is interested in your work!

- Look at AI as a partner who supports you in your work, not someone who does the work for you...
- Statement/signature (moral contract)

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should!)	cheating)
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and get explanations on	corrections
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Student centred collaboration and co-creation with academic input

Student form: Use of Ai for module xxx

Advise: It may be tempting to use Chat GPT and other tools to do your work for you; but your tutor is interested in your work!

Guide: Look at AI as a partner who supports you in your work, not someone who does the work for you...

Enforce: Statement/signature (moral contract)

Guidance submitted to staff and students: examples when AI can be used and what it should not be used:

Summative assessments

Online language tests	No use	No use
Translation with commentary	Translation: vocabulary help, in context (cultural, situation) suggestions Commentary: organise your ideas, brainstorming.	Do the whole translation for you cannot submit AI work as your ov
	You may be asked to use AI for specific translation assignments for comparison and reflective purposes. This will be indicated specifically in the translation brief.	
Year Abroad reflective task (in target language)	Organise your ideas; brainstorming; vocabulary help, in context (cultural, situation) suggestions, spell checking.	Write the reflective task for you of written in English/L1. You cannot
In class presentation/end of year presentation	Brainstorming; organise your ideas; vocabulary help, check register level, creating images and visuals (always acknowledge AI authorship).	Write and create the presentation your own.
Written language task (e.g. short essay in target language, review, summary)	Brainstorming; organise your ideas; get feedback on your draft; get feedback on the language in order to improve; vocabulary and syntax help; spellcheck.	Write the work for you. You canno
2	Brainstorming; organise your ideas; help with format of referencing; spellcheck; suggestions on expression, use of synonyms.	Write the whole essay for you. Yo



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Guidance submitted to staff and students: examples when AI can be used and what it should not be used:

Formative assessments



Do the translation for you. You cannot pass AI work

Do the presentation for you. You cannot pass AI

Write the work for you. You cannot pass AI work as

Write the essay for you. You cannot pass AI work as

NO Al	AI-ASSISTED IDEAS	AI-ASSISTED EDITING	AI TASK COMPLETION, HUMAN EVALUATION
Assessment Type 1	Assessment Type 2	Assessment Type 3	Assessment Type 4
The assessment is done entirely without AI assistance. Students can rely on their knowledge only, and/or skills or understanding.	AI can be used during the assessment for brainstorming, creating structures and generating ideas for improving work. No AI content is allowed in the final submission.	AI can be used to improve the the clarity or quality of student- created work to improve the final output; AI can be used and submitted, but the original work with no AI content must be submitted in an appendix.	AI is used to complete specific elements of the task, with students providing commentary on the AI-generated content. Any AI-created content must be cited.
In class grammar Test, in class grammar exercise and/or translation; in class vocabulary exercises;	Developing ideas, scenarios, situations, for specific/thematic writing composition, i.e topics for the French Revolution, dialogues for writing or talking exercises;	In class presentation, single presentation or group presentation;	Essay in a target Language, writing composition, and/or grammar or writing compositions and exercises for homework or revision;
	Brainstorming/generate ideas, provide suggestions and/or complete explanations;	Generating images, generating videos, second voices, music, background filling to improve the final presentation;	AI to be used to support exercises, essays, writing compositions or homework;

* The AI assessment scale (AIAS), recently published in the Journal of University Teaching and Learning Practice, is a five-point scale that provides a structured approach to incorporating AI into assessments, ranging from "no AI" to "full AI

FULL AI

Assessment Type 5

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AI should be used as a "copilot", allowing for a collaborative approach with AI, exploring and stimulating creativity. Students may use AI throughout the assessment to support their work and do not have to specify which content is AI-generated.

Research Project using specific AI tools, i.e Elicit for research, Virtual Lab/ Augmented Reality for specific tasks;

AI to be used to do the specific task in research or create background for the assessment, i.e Virtual Lab;*

Using AI and quotations:	
Cite AI assistance:	Don't use AI during online tests, in class test
Texts produced by AI can be very bland and generic and make up sources that do not exist. You can use AI tools to help you formatting rather than generating your bibliography.	Unless explicitly allowed or specified in the a tools as this is usually against academic inte
If you use AI tools to help with your assignments/homework/class preparation, make sure to cite them appropriately.	
Guidance on how to cite and reference a Generative AI tool using the Cardiff University Harvard style:	
Citations:	
When asked 'what are the benefits of using ChatGPT for study?', OpenAI ChatGPT (2023) suggested A well-known generative AI authoring tool (OpenAI ChatGPT 2023) was asked	
Reference	
In your references list include: Name of generative AI authoring tool e.g. OpenAI ChatGPT Year <i>Type of communication and person involved</i> , Day month.	
OpenAI ChatGPT. 2023. ChatGPT response to Joanne Smith, 23 March.	

sts or coursework:

assessment brief, do not use AI egrity policies.



Independent learning and practice, class preparation The Do's and Don'ts

Do	Don't	Below is guidance on how to cite and reference a Generative AI tool using the	
Use AI for practice:	Don't underestimate plagiarism:	Cardiff University Harvard style:	
Use AI tools like language learning apps, grammar checkers, or conversation simulators to practice your language <u>skills outside of assessments.</u> Improve your understanding of the language you are studying. Use AI to clarify concepts, learn new vocabulary, and get feedback on your writing. This will help deepen your understanding of the target language. You can also use AI more broadly to understand complex concepts, theories, texts and content in English or other language(s) you use that may differ from the one you are studying.	Avoid copying or using AI-generated content directly into your assessments without proper citation. This is <u>considered plagiarism</u> . Don't over-rely on AI: Don't let AI do all the work for you. Over- reliance can prevent you from genuinely improving your language and critical. skills.	Citation 1. When asked 'what are the benefits of using ChatGPT for study?', OpenAI ChatGPT (2023) suggested 2. A well-known generative AI authoring tool (OpenAI ChatGPT 2023) was asked Reference In your references list include: • Name of generative AI authoring tool e.g. OpenAI ChatGPT • Year • Type of communication and person involved, • Day month. OpenAI ChatGPT. 2023. ChatGPT response to Joanne Smith, 23 March.	
Cite AI assistance: Texts produced by AI can be very bland and generic and make up sources that do not exist. You can use AI tools to help you formatting rather than generating your bibliography. If you use AI tools to help with your assignments/homework/class preparation, make sure to cite them appropriately.	Don't use AI during online tests, in class tests or coursework: Unless explicitly allowed or specified in the assessment brief, do not use AI tools as this is usually against academic integrity policies.	Crosscheck information: Always verify AI-generated content with other trusted resources to ensure accuracy, especially when dealing with nuanced or complex cultural and language tasks. Use AI for feedback: After completing your homework, class preparation, or any task involving cultural, business, or translation work, consider using AI tools to get feedback on grammar, syntax, style, and content relevance. This can help you identify areas for improvement. Take note of the AI's suggestions and the reasons behind	Do sp as ins Do Al un rel bli su

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Advise and guide: "Some AI tools you may want to use include":

- Al-powered Databases and Search Engines: Use tools like Google Scholar, JSTOR, and Semantic Scholar to find academic papers and articles. These platforms often utilize AI to recommend relevant research based on your interests.
- Smart Citation Tools: Applications like Zotero, Mendeley, and EndNote use AI to help you manage references and automatically generate citations in various formats.
- Personalised Learning Platforms: Tools like Coursera, Khan Academy, and edX use AI to provide personalised learning paths, adapting to your pace and understanding.
- Al Tutors and Chatbots: Platforms such as Grammarly, Chegg, and Quizlet use • Al to offer real-time tutoring, answer questions, and provide explanations on various topics.
- Grammar and Style Checkers: Grammarly and Hemingway app are excellent for improving your writing. They use AI to detect grammar mistakes, suggest style improvements, and enhance clarity.
- Content Generation: Tools like ChatGPT can help brainstorm ideas, generate outlines, and even draft initial ideas for new essays. Always ensure to review and revise generated content to maintain academic integrity.
- Al Language Apps: Duolingo, Rosetta Stone, and Babbel use Al to personalize language learning experiences, helping you practice and improve at your own pace.

- Translation Services: Google Translate, Snapchat AI and DeepL offer AIpowered translation services that can assist in understanding foreign texts and improving language skills.
- Smart Scheduling Tools: Apps like Google Calendar and Microsoft Outlook use Al to suggest optimal meeting times, set reminders, and organize tasks efficiently.
- Focus and Productivity Apps: Tools like Forest, Todoist, and Trello use AI to help you stay organised, set goals, and track your progress.
- Avoiding Plagiarism: Use plagiarism checkers like Grammarly's plagiarism detection to ensure your work is original.
- Visuals and image generation: Tools like Gamma, Canva, InVideo, and Gen Video can be useful for creating engaging visuals, designing graphics, and producing videos. Alternatively, using your copilot on Edge can help streamline these creative tasks.

For more information on the University's position on AI, please visit the link below:

https://intranet.cardiff.ac.uk/students/study/exams-and-assessment/academic-integrity/artificial-intelligence-ai-in-education

Conclusion and Questions Questions

This presentation has explored the exciting potential of AI-powered tools to enhance language learning. We've also emphasized the importance of ethical and responsible implementation.

We welcome any questions or feedback from the audience.

