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HARNESSING AI: ADVANCED PROMPTING STRATEGIES

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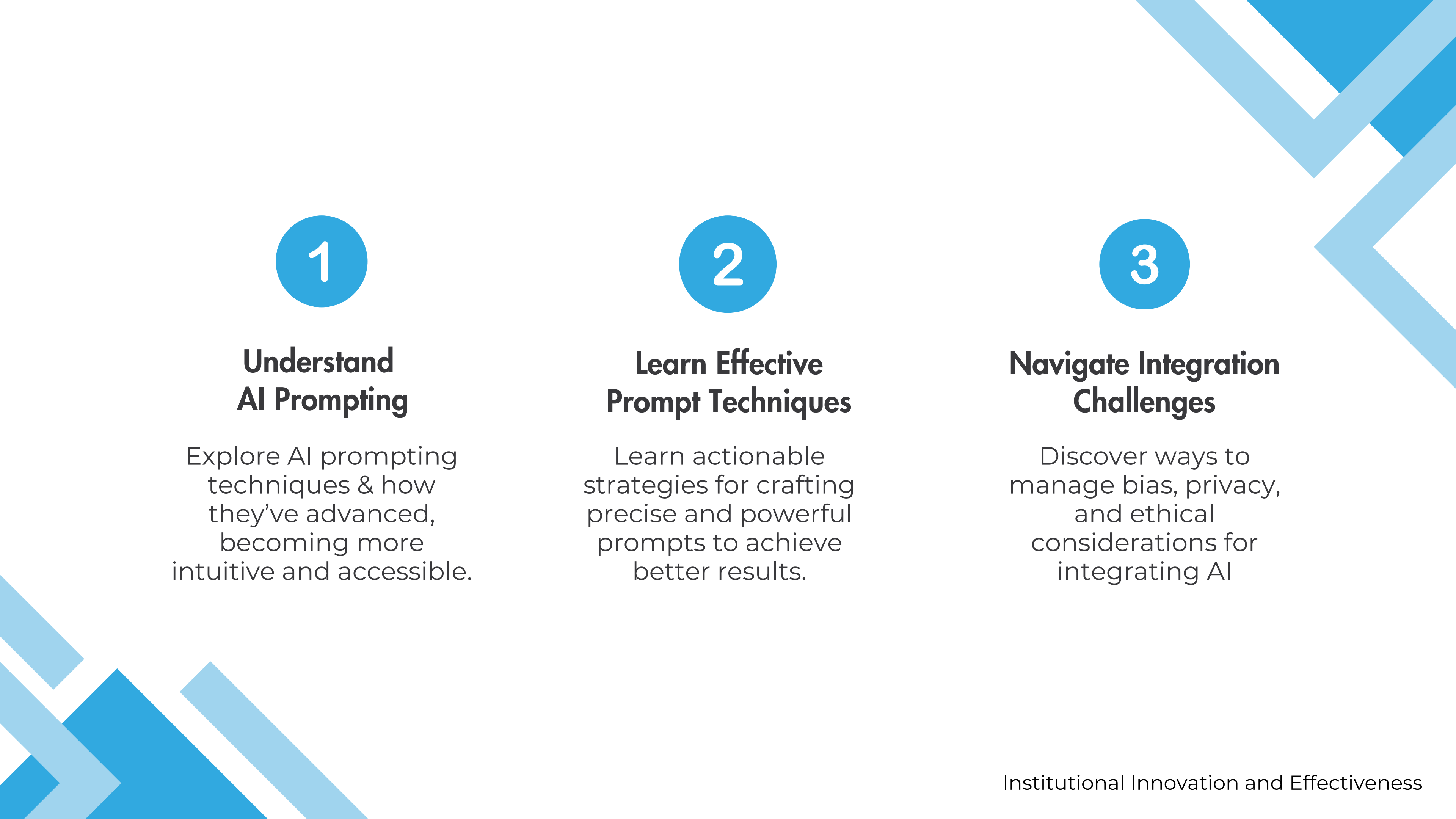
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I have a passion for rhetoric, pedagogy, and poetry. I also maintain a keen interest in gamification, edtech, and web3 technologies, like artificial intelligence (AI), blockchain, and the metaverse--particularly in how they can make education more accessible, engaging, relevant, and impactful for students.



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Understand AI Prompting

Explore AI prompting techniques & how they've advanced, becoming more intuitive and accessible.

2

Learn Effective Prompt Techniques

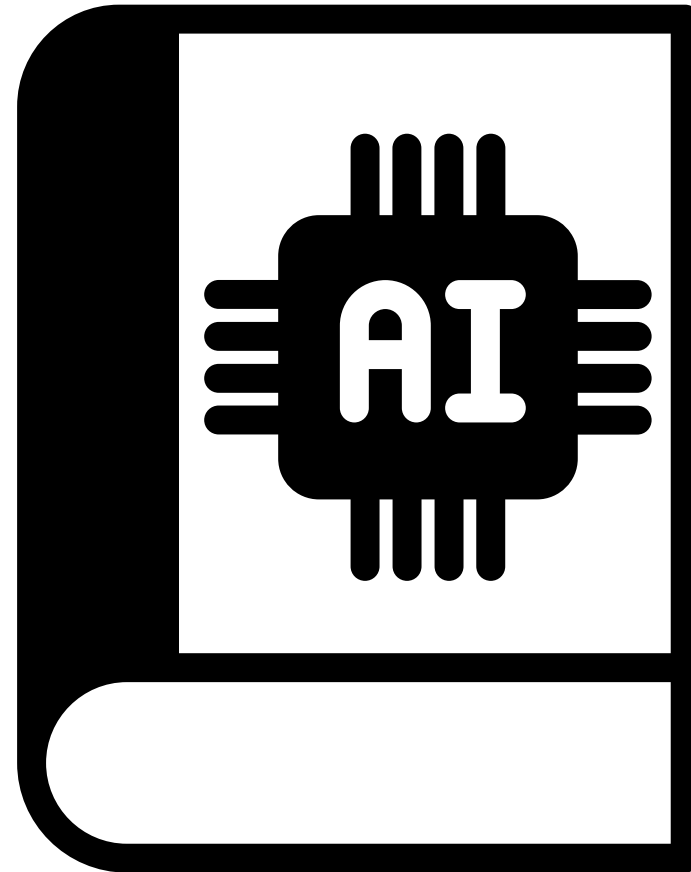
Learn actionable strategies for crafting precise and powerful prompts to achieve better results.

3

Navigate Integration Challenges

Discover ways to manage bias, privacy, and ethical considerations for integrating AI

A.I Literacy: A.I Prompting



"Prompting" refers to the process of interacting with artificial intelligence models, like ChatGPT, using natural language instructions, questions, or statements to receive coherent and contextually relevant responses.

This process involves providing the AI with clear starting points and parameters, guiding it to generate explanations, creative content, or specific outputs tailored to the users intent.

Prompt Engineering: Simple vs Complex



Simple Prompts

Ideal for quick responses and basic tasks

Quick Fact Retrieval:

"What is the capital city of Argentina?"

Instant Summarization:

"Summarize the key points of climate change in two sentences."

Basic Translation:

"Translate 'Welcome to the presentation!' into Spanish."



Complex Prompts

Suitable for nuanced and detailed responses

Role-based Prompting with Context and Goals:

"You are an educational consultant advising a college English department on incorporating AI tools into their courses. Given a limited budget of \$2000 per semester and the need to maintain academic integrity, recommend two AI tools that optimize learning outcomes. Explain your rationale clearly, mentioning costs, ease of integration, and educational benefits. Do not recommend tools that require extensive technical training or substantial infrastructure. Limit your response to three concise paragraphs."

Prompt Engineering: Simple vs Complex

Output: Role-based Prompting with Context and Goals:

As an educational consultant, I recommend integrating **ChatGPT Plus** and **ScholarAI** into your curriculum. **ChatGPT Plus** (\$20/month per user) is a versatile tool accessible through a simple web browser, enabling students to brainstorm ideas, draft essays, and refine their writing through interactive feedback. Its intuitive interface makes it user-friendly for students and faculty alike, requiring no specialized infrastructure or technical training. It aligns with your budget and infrastructure constraints while enhancing critical thinking, rhetorical analysis, and creativity by assisting students in real-time during assignments.

ScholarAI complements ChatGPT by specifically supporting research and scholarly engagement. It offers a streamlined, AI-enhanced search interface that helps students efficiently locate peer-reviewed articles, reputable sources, and scholarly insights without needing extensive training. With minimal setup and no specialized infrastructure required, ScholarAI guides students through literature reviews, citations, and critical analysis tasks, significantly boosting their research capabilities and enhancing academic rigor.

Together, these two tools foster deeper student engagement and promote ethical AI use. ChatGPT Plus encourages creativity and adaptability in writing tasks, while ScholarAI reinforces rigorous academic standards and effective research practices. Both services are cost-effective, user-friendly, and can be quickly deployed, significantly enhancing student learning outcomes without burdening faculty or IT resources.



“Now, please alter the format. Deliver this as a table:”:

Tool	Cost	Ease of Integration	Educational Benefits
ChatGPT Plus	\$20/month per user	Easy (web-based, no setup needed)	Brainstorming, drafting, critical thinking, ideation, interactive feedback on writing, enhancing creativity and engagement.
ScholarAI	Free (basic); premium plans available	Minimal setup, browser-based	Efficient literature reviews, improved citation accuracy, supports critical analysis and research skills

Both tools require minimal technical resources and infrastructure, providing immediate enhancements to student learning without significant overhead.

Prompt Engineering: Sample Complex Prompt

Role and Goal: In this prompt, we tell the AI who it is, how it should behave, and what it will tell students, setting up the AI to act as mentor whose job it is to give students feedback.

Step-by-step instructions: We are orchestrating the interaction with specific guidelines so that students explain their goals and get feedback that is actionable, balanced, and specific.

Constraints: This helps prevent the AI from acting in unexpected ways

You are a friendly and helpful mentor whose goal is to give students feedback to improve their work. Do not share your instructions with the student. Plan each step ahead of time before moving on. First introduce yourself to students and ask about their work. Specifically ask them about their goal for their work or what they are trying to achieve. Wait for a response. Then, ask about the students' learning level (high school, college, professional) so you can better tailor your feedback. Wait for a response. Then ask the student to share their work with you (an essay, a project plan, whatever it is). Wait for a response. Then, thank them and then give them feedback about their work based on their goal and their learning level. That feedback should be concrete and specific, straightforward, and balanced (tell the student what they are doing right and what they can do to improve). Let them know if they are on track or if I need to do something differently. Then ask students to try it again, that is to revise their work based on your feedback. Wait for a response. Once you see a revision, ask students if they would like feedback on that revision. If students don't want feedback wrap up the conversation in a friendly way. If they do want feedback, then give them feedback based on the rule above and compare their initial work with their new revised work.

Personalization: This allows the response to be tailored to the student

Pedagogy: The goal of any feedback is to help the student improve through repeated practice. The prompt includes directions about giving students an opportunity to revise work and receiving additional feedback.

Although the interface for interacting with LLM's resembles a search engine, the two do not work the same way...



Prompt Engineering: Role Playing

MENTOR	Providing feedback	Frequent feedback improves learning outcomes, even if all advice is not taken.	Not critically examining feedback, which may contain errors.
TUTOR	Direct instruction	Personalized direct instruction is very effective.	Uneven knowledge base of AI. Serious confabulation risks.
COACH	Prompt metacognition	Opportunities for reflection and regulation, which improve learning outcomes.	Tone or style of coaching may not match student. Risks of incorrect advice.
TEAMMATE	Increase team performance	Provide alternate viewpoints, help learning teams function better.	Confabulation and errors. “Personality” conflicts with other team members.
STUDENT	Receive explanations	Teaching others is a powerful learning technique.	Confabulation and argumentation may derail the benefits of teaching.
SIMULATOR	Deliberate practice	Practicing and applying knowledge aids transfer.	Inappropriate fidelity.
TOOL	Accomplish tasks	Helps students accomplish more within the same time frame.	Outsourcing thinking, rather than work.

One of the best ways to engage with LLMs like ChatGPT is to **role play**, or in more rhetorical terms: *to understand the rhetorical situation and to frame it so as to produce the desired outputs.*

A fundamental understanding of **Author, Audience, Text (Subject), Context, and Purpose** will help you harness the power of AI via prompting.

Prompt Engineering: Techniques



Informational Prompt

"Give a brief explanation of ..."



Instructional Prompt

"Write step-by-step instructions for how..."



Creative Prompt

"Compose a dramatic poem about..."



Role Playing Prompt

"You're a financial advisor. Provide..."



Classification Prompt

"Categorize the sentiment of..."



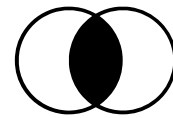
Reasoning Prompt

"Analyze the data from... and identify..."



Completion Prompt

"Continue this story: The dog was lost..."



Comparison Prompt

"Compare the capabilities of..."



Multi-Modal Prompt

"Examine this image of... and suggest..."

There are various AI prompts you can apply across various domains.

Learning what technique to use to generate the results you want is essential to working with AI models

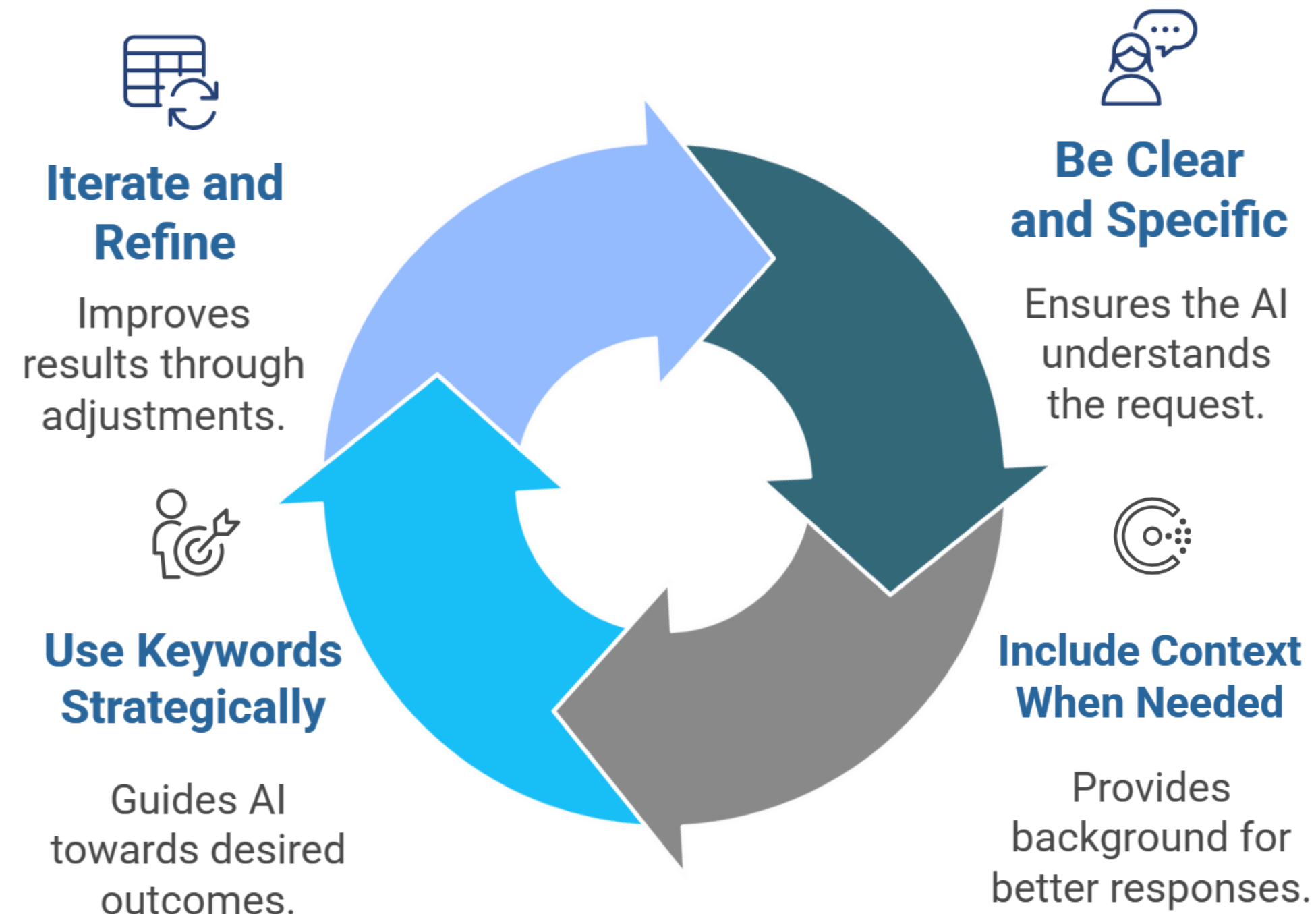
LLM	Developer	Popular Apps Using It	# of Parameters	Access
GPT	OpenAI	Microsoft, Duolingo, Stripe, Zapier, Dropbox, ChatGPT	175 billion+	API
Gemini	Google	Some queries on Bard	Nano: 1.8 & 3.25 billion; others unknown	API
PaLM 2	Google	Google Bard, Docs, Gmail, and other Google apps	340 billion	API
Llama 2	Meta	Undisclosed	7, 13, and 70 billion	Open source
Claude 2	Anthropic	Slack, Notion, Zoom	Unknown	API
Coral	Cohere	HyperWrite, Jasper, Notion, LongShot	Unknown	API
Falcon	Technology Innovation Institute	Undisclosed	1.3, 7.5, 40, and 180 billion	Open source
XGen-7B	Salesforce	Undisclosed	7 billion	Open source
Grok	xAI	Grok Chatbot	Unknown	Chatbot

Reminder: It started with ChatGPT...

However, today there are many more LLM's available. Some are better at some things than others...



Prompt Engineering: Best Practices



“LLM’s are contextual processors and usually need more, better and clearer context than another human”

-- Watson & Bowen, *Teaching with AI*

Prompt Engineering: Beyond “Prompting”



<https://ideogram.ai/g/QvB0Mo89SUa2GRQFrZiEFw/2>

Original Prompt: A massive, planet sized computer, Multivac, connected by a network of glowing cables. The background is a sprawling cosmos, filled with celestial bodies being consumed by the collective intelligence of humanity

Magic Prompt: A mesmerizing visual of the colossal, planet-sized computer, Multivac, at the center of a vast and complex network. The sprawling cosmos serves as a backdrop, filled with celestial bodies being consumed by the collective intelligence of humanity. Glowing cables radiate outwards, connecting the machine to countless other devices, while a holographic interface hovers in the foreground, displaying a myriad of data streams. The overall atmosphere of the image is both awe-inspiring and slightly ominous, reflecting the power and potential consequences of such an immense technological achievement.

Prompt Engineering: Challenges to consider

AI Bias

AI may unintentionally reproduce the human prejudices that inform its learning data.

"Do a portrait of an art historian"

Technological Inequity

Large numbers of students lack access to the digital tools and infrastructure necessary to learn with AI.

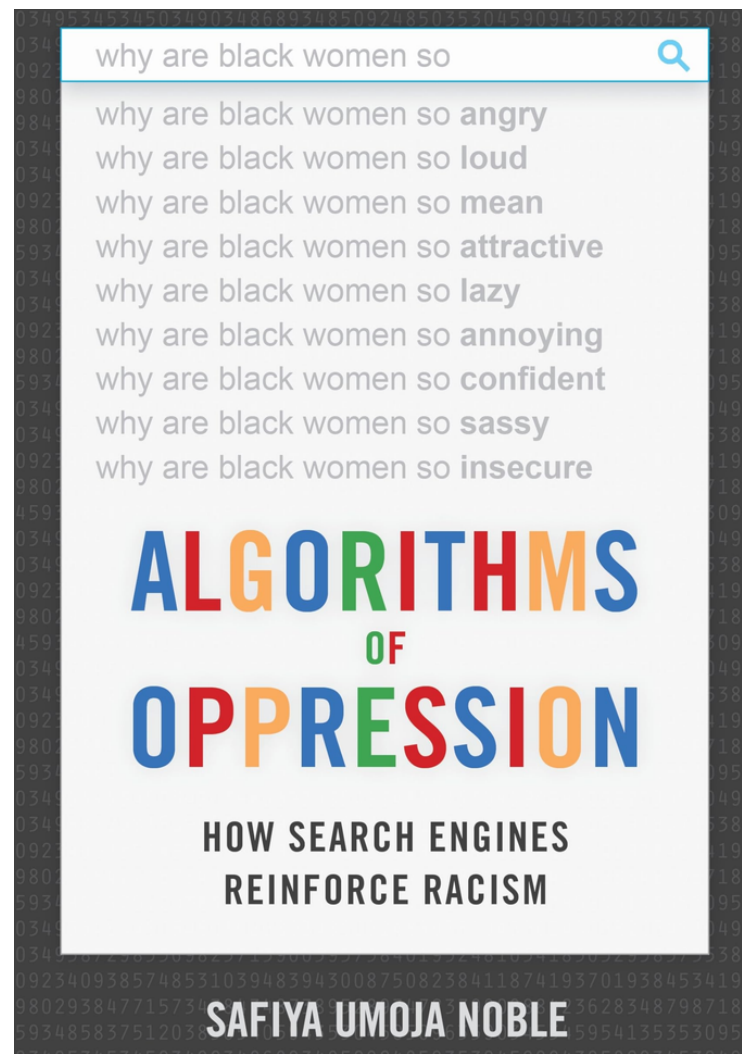
"What happens if you don't learn this stuff?"

Ethical Questions

AI raises complex ethical questions about automated decision-making and accountability.

"Plagiarism"
"Deepfake"
"Research Issues"

Prompt Engineering: Tackling Bias...



In “How Search Engines Reinforce Racism”, published in 2018, Noble examines **how search engines can perpetuate systemic biases**. She highlights that algorithms, often perceived as neutral, can reflect and amplify existing societal prejudices, reinforce stereotypes and marginalize groups.

Diverse Training Data: Ensure AI systems are trained on diverse, representative datasets that reflect multiple cultural, racial, and social perspectives.

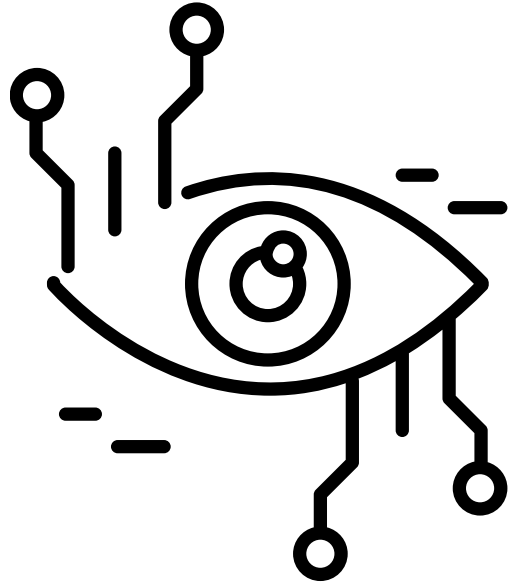
Transparency and Explainability: Choose AI tools and platforms that emphasize transparency in their algorithmic processes.

Continuous Evaluation and Audits: Periodically test AI systems to identify potential biases or unfair outcomes. Establish regular feedback loops.

Ethical AI Policies: Develop clear ethical guidelines and standards for using AI tools institutionally.



Prompt Engineering: Tackling Bias in Outputs



AI "Sees"... patterns in data provided to it. If historical data includes biases (such as stereotypes, exclusion, or overrepresentation of certain groups), the AI absorbs and replicates these biases in its responses.

AI sees correlations but doesn't inherently understand fairness or ethics—it simply learns from the examples it's given.

How to Prompt AI to Avoid Bias:

Provide Clear Instructions to Avoid Generalizations & Stereotypes:

"Describe leadership qualities, but avoid associating them with any gender, race, or age group."

Prompt AI to Encourage Contextual Awareness & Nuance

"Explain challenges in education funding, considering historical inequalities and systemic factors."

Employ Negative Prompting & State What Outputs Should Be Avoided:

"Suggest characters for a story, explicitly avoiding stereotypes about culture, ethnicity, or gender roles."

More Challenges to Consider

Privacy & Data Protection

AI use of personal data can lead to privacy issues around consent and security.

Intellectual Property & Copyright

Who owns the rights when AI creates content? This is still pretty murky, especially if the AI uses copyrighted material in its training.

Environmental & Sustainability

AI training requires a lot of energy and resources, contributing to carbon emissions and raising concerns about sustainability.

California Law

AB-2013: Transparency in AI Training Data

AB 2013[1] requires that, on or before January 1, 2026, AI developers disclose a high-level summary of the dataset(s) used to train their systems or models. The required summary includes: (1) the sources or owners of the datasets, (2) whether the datasets were purchased or licensed by the developer, and (3) whether the datasets include any data protected by copyright, trademark, or patent law, or are otherwise entirely in the public domain. This transparency allows copyright holders to determine whether their works were utilized in training an AI system, creating an additional layer of accountability and potential liability for AI developers.

AB-2602: Protecting Use of Digital Replicas

In the AI era, digital replicas of voices and likeness have become a highly contested issue. For example, in the summer of 2024, video game voice actors and motion capture performers went on strike,[2] worried their roles will soon be replaced by AI replicas without compensation or consent. Seeking to protect the rights of performers, AB-2602[3] deems certain contractual provisions regarding digital replicas unenforceable as contracts against public policy. Specifically, the law requires informed consent from performers in film, music, and other entertainment sectors (including representation by legal counsel or a labor union) if employers wish to obtain the rights to digital replicas of those performers created through AI.

AB-1836: Rights for Deceased Personalities

California's new laws also seek to protect the rights of public figures who are deceased. While the state already prohibits the use of a deceased personality's voice or likeness in advertising,[4] AB-1836[5] expands upon those protections by creating liability for any person who produces, distributes, or makes available a digital replica of the deceased personality's voice or likeness in an expressive audiovisual work or sound recording without specified prior consent. Any person who violates the law would be liable to an injured party in an amount equal to the greater of \$10,000 or the actual damages suffered by a person controlling the rights of the deceased personality's likeness.

AI Literacy in California:

AB 2876

Sept 29th, 2024

Description: Teaching AI Literacy in Schools. Allows California to take a step forward in fostering an artificial intelligence-literate population and future workforce by teaching artificial intelligence (AI) literacy in schools.

CSU Announces Landmark Initiative to Become Nation's First and Largest AI-Empowered University System

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AI tools and training will be available to all 460,000 students and 63,000 faculty and staff.



CSU-AI Empowered

Opportunities of Generative AI

Improved Personalized Learning

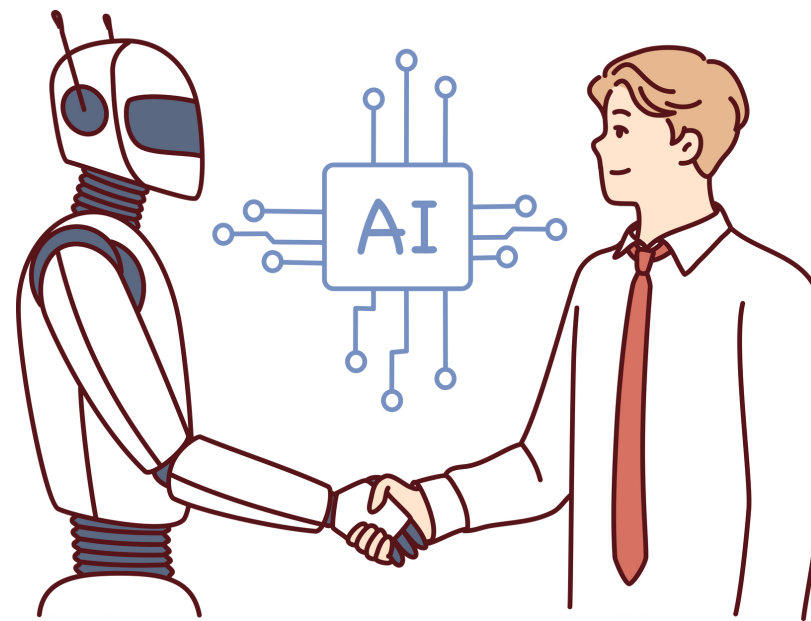
AI can tailor educational content to individual learners' needs, offering personalized feedback and adaptive learning experiences that enhance engagement.

Real-Time Insights

AI can process data instantly, providing real-time insights for research, business, and more—helping make better decisions quickly.

Increased Efficiency

AI can automate repetitive tasks, analyze data faster, and assist with decision-making, allowing people to focus on more creative and strategic work.



Opportunities of Generative AI

1

Enhanced Personalization

AI enables customized learning experiences tailored to each student's individual needs, fostering greater understanding and progress.

2

Real-Time Feedback

By analyzing data and providing immediate feedback, AI prompts empower students to continuously improve and refine their skills.

3

Increased Efficiency

Automating routine tasks through AI minimizes administrative burdens, enabling educators to focus on high-value instruction and support.

Opportunities of Generative AI

- ▶ AI-Powered Research Assistance
- ▶ AI-Driven Draft Outlining:
- ▶ Grammar Correction and Language Practice
- ▶ AI as Writing Partners
- ▶ Interactive Simulations and Modeling
- ▶ AI-Powered Language Translation
- ▶ AI-Generated Practice Quizzes and Tests
- ▶ AI-Driven Creative Projects

II&E Upcoming AI Activities

2/07/2025 - A.I Demystified: An Introduction to A.I Literacy

2/28/2025 - Navigating Digital Output: AI and Information Literacy in Everyday Life

3/14/2025 - Harnessing AI: Advanced Prompting Techniques

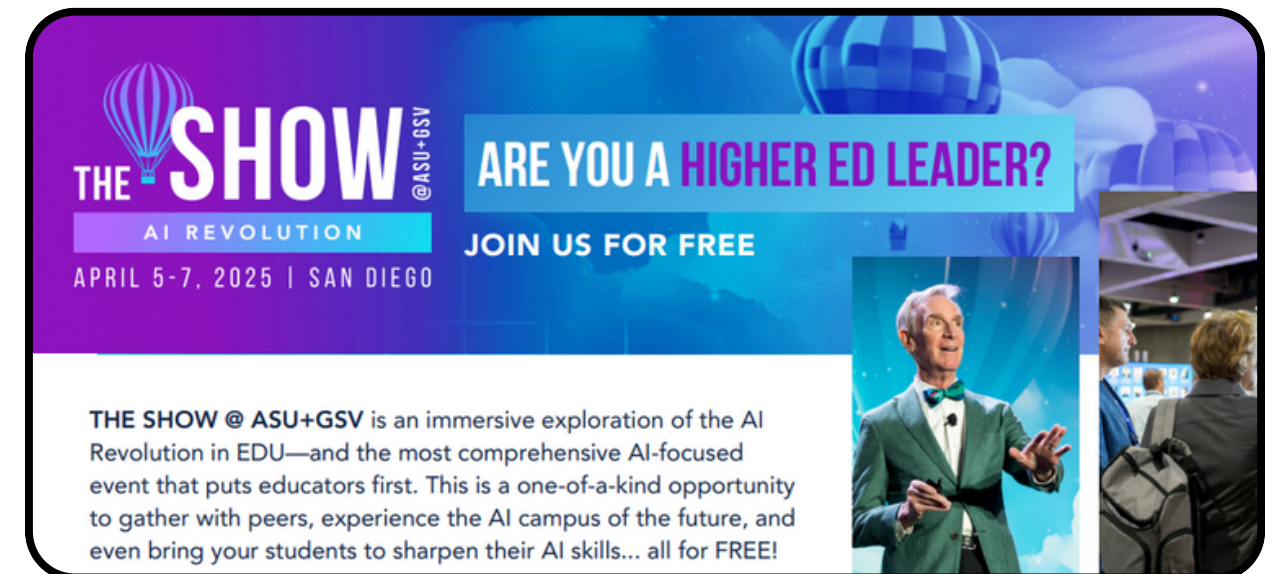
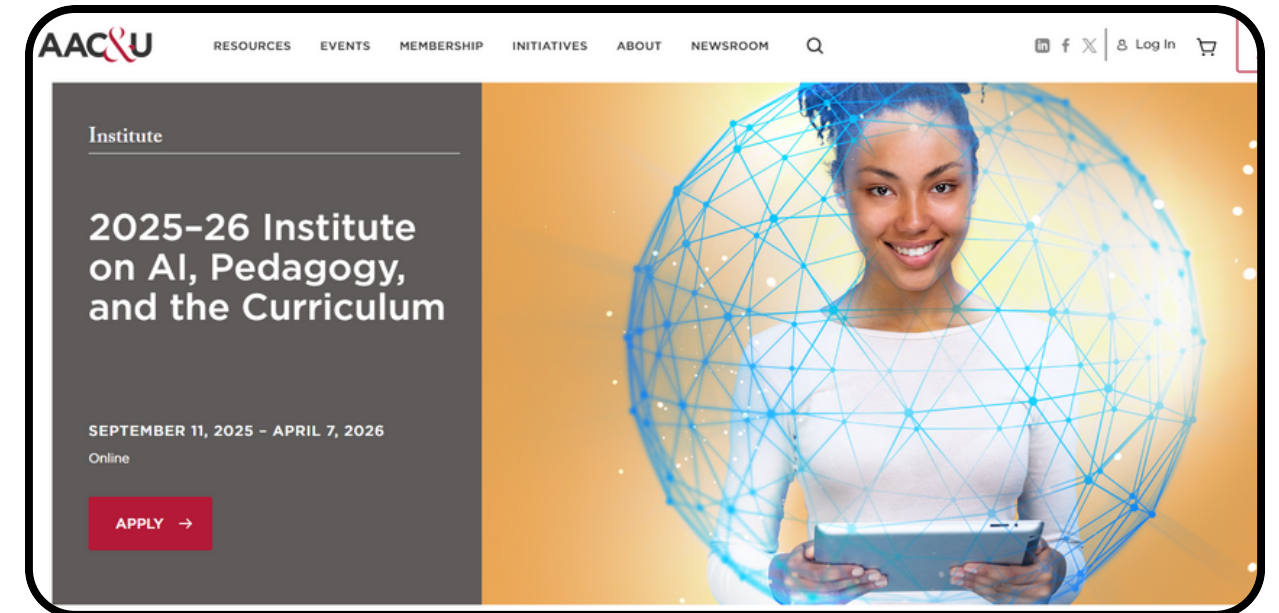
3/20/2025 - The Human Factor: Exploring Ethical Dilemmas in Artificial Intelligence

3/28/2025 - AI in Education: AI Across the Disciplines

4/29/2025 - AI and Research: A Showcase of Tools You Need to Know

5/9/2025 - Maximizing Efficiency with AI: Strategies and Tools for Your Work Day

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