Beyond **ChatGPT:** Using Al Across the Academic Research Lifecycle

Undergraduate Research Professional Development Program

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Learning Objectives

- Identify AI tools used at different stages of the research process.
- Understand strengths and limitations of Al applications in research.
- Experiment with AI tools for ideation, literature review, data analysis, and writing.
- Recognize ethical concerns and best practices for responsible AI use.





Al in Research: Overview



Al enhances every stage of academic research:



Ideation, Literature Review, Methodology Design,



Data Collection, Data Analysis, Writing and Dissemination.



Al supports tasks traditionally performed manually,



enabling researchers to analyze richer data and scale research impact.



Brainstorming Research Questions

- Generates novel ideas, identifies research gaps.
- Interactive brainstorming tools (ChatGPT, HyperWrite).



Literature Review

- Summarizes and synthesizes literature using NLP.
- Tools: Semantic Scholar, Elicit, Litmaps.





Designing Methodology



Suggests appropriate methods, experimental designs.



Tools for method selection, bias detection.



Data Collection





AUTOMATES SURVEY CREATION, DATA GATHERING (TEXT, VISUAL, AUDIO).

IMPROVES DATA QUALITY AND SAMPLING STRATEGIES.

Data Analysis





IDENTIFIES PATTERNS, AUTOMATES CODING AND THEMATIC ANALYSIS.

TOOLS: JULIUS AI, NVIVO, RAPIDMINER.

Writing and Argumentation

Aids drafting, improves structure and clarity.

Supports evidencebased argumentation.

Ethical and Responsible Use

01

Maintain academic integrity and transparency.

02

Verify and critically evaluate Al outputs.

03

Properly attribute AI contributions.

04

Actively mitigate bias and check for plagiarism.

05

Use AI to enhance efficiency, not as a shortcut.



Wrap-Up and Key Considerations



Al reshapes research workflows across disciplines.



Enhances efficiency, insights, and collaboration.



Considerations:



Ethics and privacy, interdisciplinary communication,



limitations of Al automation, democratization of tools.