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Welcome to AIEOU

Our goal is to establish a dynamic community of practice that will challenge and positively shape the future of AI in Education. Thank you for joining us, your contributions are valued and appreciated.

The AI in Education at Oxford University (AIEOU) interdisciplinary research hub is led by Dr Sara Ratner (Principal Investigator), Professor Rebecca Williams (Co-Investigator) and Professor Elizabeth Wonnacott (Co-Investigator) thanks to an award from the Social Sciences Division with the support of the Department of Education at the University of Oxford.

AIEOU aims to promote a research-informed, ethical, human-centered approach to AI in Education through collaboration and knowledge exchange. Working across the four pillars of design, regulation, implementation and impact, researchers at the University of Oxford will collaborate and convene with expert colleagues and key stakeholders from around the world to establish a shared research agenda. We seek to co-create a use case for AI in Education that represents best practice in quality teaching and learning.

So, what now?

Good news! Our website is now live: www.aieou.web.ox.ac.uk

If you have provided your photograph and consent, you should see yourself featured in our list of collaborators. If you cannot find your listing on our site, kindly advise us so we can fix this as soon as possible. Likewise, if you have not yet sent your photo but would like to be listed on the website, please email us.

To be effective in achieving our goals, collaboration is key. We'd love to celebrate your contributions to our community and have provided social media assets that you can use to share your involvement with AIEOU. As you can appreciate, the University of Oxford has very specific guidelines for the use of its name and logo. We ask that you only use the approved AIEOU logos and assets provided according to the guidelines attached to this email. Any questions, please ask.

Don't forget to tag us in your posts so we can re-post and support your involvement.

How can you get involved?

We are delighted that so many of you are asking how you can get involved. As we grow there will be more opportunities for your involvement but to begin, here are three ways to get involved if you wish:

1. Support AIEOU events

We are currently planning our Term Card of events and here are some dates for your diary:

- AIEOU Launch Meeting (Online) February 2025
- AIEOU Theory of Change Workshops (Hybrid) March - May 2025
- AIEOU Annual Conference (Oxford) TBC end of 2025

2. Write a Blog Post

As an AIEOU Collaborator you are invited to write a blog post to be published on our website. Here are some general guidelines:

- Ideal length is 1,000 – 1,500 words
- Your writing should be engaging for non-technical audiences
- Nominate which one of the Hub's research streams your post relates to
- Cite any references or use of AI tools in APA format
- Provide any external links to be embedded in your post

Please submit your post by email to:

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We will review submitted posts at our monthly team meeting and schedule their publication. We may ask another Hub member to review your post if it is outside our expertise.

Thank you in advance for your contributions in the spirit of knowledge exchange and building our community of practice.

3. Resource Sharing

Have you authored a publication that you feel would be of value to the members of our Hub? Please send a link to us along with a short description (No more than 500 words).

We would like to share the work of our Hub members on our website and in our Teams channel. Please ensure you have permission for this before sharing the document with us.

If you would like us to link to your social media channels, please provide them in your email to sara.ratner@education.ox.ac.uk

We'd love your ideas and input

Rebecca, Liz and I are delighted to have such strong support for AIEOU and an outstanding group of collaborators sharing our vision for the Hub. Thank you. As we all come together to build our community of practice we welcome your thoughts and insights. Please feel free to reach out to us with any questions, ideas or projects you'd like to discuss.

Wishing you and your loved ones well over the holiday season. Looking forward to learning from and with you in the exciting year ahead.



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