

End of semester:

- ▶ Ethics day 1 (Monday)
- ▶ Ethics day 2 (Wednesday)
- ▶ Ethics day 3 (**Today**)
- ▶ Presentations day 1 (next week Monday)
- ▶ Presentations day 2 (next week Wednesday)
- ▶ Review for the final exam (next week Friday)
- ▶ Final exam (Wednesday, May 7, 10:30-12:30)

Today:

- ▶ “How I realized AI was making me stupid—and what I do now.” Schechner
- ▶ AI coding assistant refuses to write code, tells user to learn programming instead.” Edwards

When should generative AI be used for writing and similar tasks? Possible positions to take include

- ▶ Generative AI should never be used for writing, since doing so will invariably cause writing skills and general cognitive ability to atrophy.
- ▶ Generative AI should be used only for routine writing tasks like reports in the workplace, never for serious writing or school assignments.
- ▶ Generative AI should be used as a writing aide only after a person has mastered writing.
- ▶ Generative AI should be taught and used at all grade levels, since it is the modern way to write.

When is it acceptable to use code-generation tools like Cursor AI or GitHub Copilot in a course like CSCI 381? Possible positions to take include

- ▶ Never—using AI code-generation tools defeats the purpose of the programming assignments.
- ▶ One should use only code snippets that one happens upon by accident, such as is returned by the AI summary from a Google search.
- ▶ Any AI-generated code portions should be cited as a source.

When, if ever, should AI-assisted coding be taught in an undergrad CSCI curriculum?

Possible positions to take include

- ▶ AI-assisted code generation tools should be taught starting in the introductory programming course, in the same way that compilers and IDEs are used from the beginning.
- ▶ AI coding tools should be introduced in the software development course, after students have had at least two semesters of experience programming without AI tools.
- ▶ AI coding tools should be used only in an advanced elective that specifically studies tools like this.
- ▶ AI-assisted coding has no place in an undergrad CSCI curriculum.

Coming up:

Apr 28 and 30: *Project presentations*

Due Apr 30: *Final submission of notebooks*

(That's all.)