

THE FUTURE OF EDUCATION IN THE AGE OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

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Annotation: *“Technology will not replace great teachers, but technology in the*

Hands of great teachers can be transformational”- George Couros. This quote completely underline the importance of Artificial Intelligence and how it supports, rather than replace, human educators. This article investigates the potential of AI in the field of education and its impact on teaching quality, as well as its role in reducing academic pressure on both teachers and students, by making learning more personalized, efficient, and supportive. Moreover, it highlights the need to adapt to new technological tools along with its pros and cons.

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Introduction: In the modern digital age, global efforts are focused on improving education system through innovation. As might be expected, many educators recognize the potential of newly released artificial intelligence tools to support writing, lesson improvement, and material adaptation in education. Furthermore, AI can assess students' performance and offer immediate feedback to enhance learning, making it more accessible and easier to understand. However, the proponents of traditional teaching methods question whether these advanced technologies can truly enhance education and support learning. Although Artificial Intelligence holds the potential to reverse some of the problems in education today, these rapid technological changes certainly give rise to several risks and challenges that have so far outpaced policy debates and regulatory frameworks.

One of the major advantages of Artificial Intelligence in education is personalized learning opportunities. Over 47% of learning management systems will be powered by artificial intelligence in the next three years. With the rise of artificial intelligence, individualized learning has become possible than ever before. Personalized learning is focused on each learner's unique talents, and concerns, ensuring more effective and

meaningful educational experience. In addition to this, artificial intelligence can continuously provide personalized feedback, enabling students to identify their strengths and weaknesses and improve their overall learning performance. Besides, AI can considerably reduce teachers' workload, allowing them to concentrate on their students rather than on manual tasks. By assisting in lesson planning and report writing, AI helps teachers save time and significantly reduce their overall workload. According to statistics, around 60% of teachers have incorporated AI into their regular* teaching routines, which saves 44% of their time on research, lesson planning, and material creation. However, it should be admitted that about 89% of students typically use ChatGPT for homework assignments. Ultimately, AI can play an important role in contributing more effective and balanced learning process.

Critics of Artificial Intelligence argue that excessive reliance on AI tools may result in over-dependence, thereby reducing students' analytical thinking skills and creativity. Nevertheless, banning AI from classrooms cannot be the solution. Firstly, teachers should instruct students to use AI for generating ideas or brainstorming, and then encourage them to expand those ideas independently. In addition, experts have already discovered that over 100,000 hacked ChatGPT accounts on the dark web. Students are often willing to share their information and even send their voices to AI tools. Yet, we cannot be certain that the personal data of students and teachers will not be misused by software companies for other purposes, including marketing or personal gain.

To tackle this issue, schools and universities should implement safeguarding measures such as using strong passwords, storing data securely, and ensuring anonymity for any sensitive information related to personal performance. On top of that, plagiarism has become a major concern for many educators, as AI is often used to complete assignments, exams, and written papers. Once students learn to rely on cheating, it becomes extremely unfair to those who remain honest and also discourages genuine learning and independent thinking. One possible solution is for educators to raise awareness about the consequences of cheating and plagiarism while employing AI detection and plagiarism-checking tools to maintain academic integrity. In the meantime, as AI misuse becomes increasingly common, raising awareness among students and educators is essential to promote fairness and preserve the authenticity of learning.

In summary, AI has a significant impact on education, promoting improvements in learning, providing immediate feedback, and enabling individualized performance analysis. However, while it prepares students for a tech-driven future, rising challenges such as over-reliance on AI tools and data privacy concerns must be addressed. Striking a delicate balance is essential to avoid potential pitfalls. AI should be regarded as a supplementary tool rather

than a replacement for human intellectual effort. First and foremost, educators and parents hold the power to reinforce this notion among students. Their minds should be trained so that they can develop the skills and self-control needed to avoid becoming dependent on AI. The goal is to teach our generation how to work alongside AI, not beneath it. By fostering a balanced environment where AI supports and assists rather than replaces, we can build a thriving future in which both humanity and technology flourish together.

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