

Call for Proposals:

TEACHING INNOVATION WITH GENERATIVE AI

The Provost's Office seeks proposals from teams of faculty from all disciplines to explore how generative AI can support student learning and literacy within their fields. Faculty are invited to consider how students might engage with AI tools in ways that are authentic to their discipline, including ethical use, critical evaluation, and creative applications.

Projects that incorporate generative AI tools into instruction and/or assignments, with a focus on student use and generative AI literacy, will be prioritized, particularly those that produce instructional materials and new learning experiences to be required in the curriculum, regardless of who teaches the course in the future.

AI innovations may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- AI-supported writing, research, or design assignments
- Generative AI simulations or cases
- Discipline-specific practices and ethical use of generative AI
- Development of student-facing materials to build AI literacy or disciplinary knowledge/skills

In addition, priority will be given to proposals that include:

- Development of new pedagogical or assessment approaches utilizing AI across multiple course learning outcomes or multiple courses within a program
- Creation of multiple, interdisciplinary, or experiential learning experiences

Grants Award: We seek applications from pairs of full-time faculty or teaching staff within a department who are working to make lasting improvements in the program's curriculum. Awarded participants will each receive a stipend of \$2,000 (\$4,000 per group) for the project.

All projects must include an assessment plan. This plan will include the measurement of student success in meeting the targeted course learning outcome(s) that the proposal addresses.

All funded faculty teams will be expected to present their work in a session at the August 24, 2027 Teaching and Learning Collaborative (TLC).

Grant applications must also demonstrate that you have fully explored the capabilities of the university-supported Copilot Enterprise account before using other AI tools. Proposals must confirm that students will not be required to purchase paid AI tools.

Eligibility: All full-time faculty or teaching staff.

Submission Deadline: [4:00PM on Friday, October 2, 2026](#)

Review Criteria:

- Merit and clarity
- Feasibility
- Alignment with grant goals and priorities described above

Decisions Announced: Early November 2026

APPLICATION FOR TEACHING INNOVATION WITH GENERATIVE AI

1. Applicants' Names & Department:

2. Name of your Chair and Dean (to be copied on the proposal submission):

3. Proposed Project Title and Few Sentence Project Summary:

4. Project Description:

- **Innovation Description (1-2 paragraphs):** Describe the new AI pedagogical approach you plan to implement. Explain how it addresses specific teaching and learning challenges. Also mention the specific course learning outcomes addressed that will be assessed to measure success of the initiative. Describe the instructional materials or learning experience to be created.
- **Implementation Plan (1-2 paragraphs):** Specify the course(s) impacted (name, code, number) and the number of students who will benefit. What is the semester for implementation? Detail how the innovation will be incorporated into the curriculum within or across course(s).
- **Expected Impact (1 paragraph):** Outline the anticipated impact on students, including changes in student perceptions, attitudes, or engagement (if applicable) and performance on specific course learning outcomes. Explain how the AI approach/innovation will be incorporated into your program's curriculum to have a lasting impact.
- **Assessment Plan (1 paragraph):** Detail how you will measure the effectiveness of the innovation. Be specific, including how you will measure the course learning outcome(s) the proposal addresses. This must include student data and your intended analysis of that data.

Application Submission Instructions:

1. When complete, email application to Angel McNiel (mcniel@hartford.edu) by 4:00PM on October 2nd
2. Copy application to your department chair and dean