Recommendations for Review & Grading in the A.I. Era

13th District Achievement Week Committee

Presented by:

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Today's Training Agenda

1. What is AI?

2. The reality of AI use in essay writing.

3. How to grade at the chapter level using IHQ criteria.

4. How to grade at the chapter level using AI checker.

5. Final Recommendations.

6. Questions, Comments, Concerns?

What is AI?

Artificial Intelligence (AI) refers to the development of computer systems that can perform tasks typically requiring human intelligence. These tasks include reasoning, learning, problem-solving, perception, and language understanding. AI systems use algorithms and data to mimic cognitive functions such as recognizing patterns, making decisions, or predicting outcomes.

The reality of AI use in essay writing.

AI can assist with essay writing in 5 key ways:

1. Generating Ideas: AI tools can help brainstorm topics or provide outlines based on a given prompt.

2. Improving Grammar and Style: AI-powered editors like Grammarly check for grammar, punctuation, and stylistic issues, enhancing clarity.

3. Structuring Content: AI can suggest logical structures, such as how to organize arguments or flow between paragraphs.

The reality of AI use in essay writing.

AI can assist with essay writing in 5 key ways:

4. Summarizing Sources: It can condense large texts into concise summaries, helping with research.

5. Paraphrasing and Rewriting: AI tools can rephrase sentences or suggest alternative wording while retaining the original meaning.

Overall, AI can streamline the writing process, improve quality, and provide insights for more efficient essay creation.

How to grade at the chapter level using IHQ criteria.

2024 Essay Topic:

"What impact do you believe that Social Media is having On Mental Health and Why is it Important to Address this issue?"

Eligibility & Rules: The Contest is open to all college-bound, high school seniors who submit an essay application through a Chapter of the Fraternity. The essay must be original and neither previously published nor secured by copyright. The essay must be between 700 and 750 words in length. The type-written, double-spaced essay may be submitted via postal service or email in Microsoft Word. **Use of assistance software and/or technology (i.e. AI) in creating this original work is strictly prohibited. The Committee will be using software to detect the usage of Artificial Intelligence to assist with the essay. If the content is found to be above a 40% threshold the essay will be disqualified.**

The following information for the contestant must be present on the title page in this manner:

Title: _____

An Essay By: _____

Home Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Name of High School: _____

Address of High School: _____

Student Email: _____

Contest Name: Omega Psi Phi Fraternity International High School Essay Contest

Name of Sponsoring Chapter: _____ Location of Chapter: _____

How to grade at the chapter level using IHQ criteria.

Rating **Criteria:** All local Chapters will assemble a review panel to assess submitted essays based on the following criteria. **Essays may earn a maximum rating of 100 points.**

1. **Development of Topic/Thesis: (30 possible points)**
   Topic is well-developed (covers and develops major points, supplying enough information for understanding)
2. **Progression: (20 possible points)**
   Composition progresses from beginning to end in a logical flow of information
3. **Readability: (25 possible points)**
   Concise language that sticks to the point in a coherent writing style (holds reader's attention)
4. **Grammar: (15 possible points)**
   Agreement of subject and verb; proper tense; correct sentence structure with transitional phrases, and accurate paragraphing and citations.
5. **Spelling: (5 possible points)**
6. **Punctuation: (5 possible points)**

Final Recommendations

Let your candidates know that this will be used.

Allow for Resubmissions Pre-Deadline – Get the best essay possible from candidates

Allow for Resubmissions Post-Deadline – Get the best essay possible from your winner

The goal is to ensure that strong candidates are not DQ'ed for formalities, get them to resubmit with MINOR things corrected. Remember we are looking for the best submissions to WIN at the district and IHQ level.

Although bibliographies are not required, ensure that citing of work is consistent and thorough for different formats (i.e. MLA, APA, etc).

QUESTIONS, COMMENTS, CONCERNS?

Check

https://oppf13th.org/essay-contest/

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Thank you for your TAP!