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Higher Education Generative AI Readiness Assessment

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Assessment and Evaluation, Artificial Intelligence (AI), Generative AI, Institutional Management, IT Governance, Risk Management, Strategic Planning, Teaching with Artificial Intelligence

The **Higher Education AI Readiness Assessment**, completed with support from Amazon Web Services, a **2025 EDUCAUSE Mission Partner**, is designed to provide a sense of your institution's preparedness for strategic AI initiatives. Use the assessment with a cross-functional team at your institution to open and facilitate discussion and to develop an understanding of your current state and the potential of AI.

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Instructions for Taking the Assessment

We recommend that you take this assessment with a team.

When assembling your team, consider the following:

- You may download a **PDF** of the assessment before taking it so that you can review and discuss it before you take it.
- This assessment is separated into five sections: Strategy, Governance, Technology, Workforce, and Teaching and Learning. Each member of the team can choose which sections to take. Be sure to include enough team members so that each section is answered at least once.
- Include individuals from a variety of operational units and job roles: academic units, operational units, business units, faculty, staff, students (as appropriate), frontline workers, mid-level managers, senior leaders, etc.
- Consider including a variety of stakeholders: those who are ready to hit the ground running, colleagues who already have considerable influence and can break down barriers, and colleagues or units who might be resistant to change.

Plan to set aside at least 20 minutes to complete the

assessment. Teams may choose to take the assessment as individuals and then discuss results, or you might take the assessment as a group, designating one person to input answers. Feel free to share the following link with team members when they are ready to take the assessment:

<https://survey.alchemer.com/s3/8200666/Higher-Education-AI-Readiness-Assessment> 

Expect an email from EDUCAUSE. After you complete the self-assessment, each member of the team will receive an email with a copy of the completed assessment along with recommendations for increasing your institution's capabilities. If you don't receive this email, check your spam folder. You may also reach out to benchmarking@educause.edu for assistance. Once all team members have their results, we recommend bringing the team back together to discuss results and start building an action roadmap!

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Please note: The initial version of this AI assessment was launched in March 2024 as a PDF. That version has been replaced with this web-based survey. You can access the **initial version of the assessment**, but that version has been archived.

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