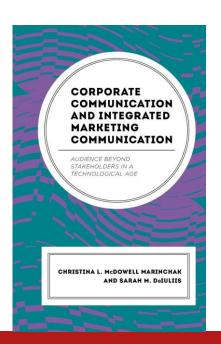
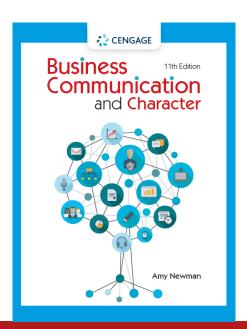
### Al as Peer Reviewer



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## **Agenda**

Our Goals for AI Peer Reviews

• Student Reflections on the Feedback

Student Reflections on the Dangers of Using Al

## The Use Case Addressed Three Approaches to Al Assignments

AI USE	ROLE	
Mentor	Provide feedback	
Tutor	Give direct instruction	
Coach	Prompt metacognition	
Teammate	Increase team performance	
Student	Receive explanations	
Simulator	Deliberate practice	
Tool	Accomplish tasks	

#### The Use Case Focused on Benefits and Risks

AI USE	ROLE	PEDAGOGICAL BENEFIT	PEDAGOGICAL RISK
Mentor	Provide feedback	Frequent feedback improves learning outcomes, even if all advice is not taken.	Not critically examining feedback, which may contain errors.
Tutor	Give direct instruction	Personalized direct instruction is very effective.	Uneven knowledge base of AI. Serious confabulation risks.
Coach	Prompt metacognition	Opportunities for reflection and regulation improve learning outcomes.	Tone or style of coaching may not match student. Risks of incorrect advice.

## Our Goals Included Improving Feedback and Using Al

- Give students opportunities to practice and improve giving feedback
- Provide students with more feedback on their own work
- Encourage students to examine feedback critically—from peers and from AI
- Inspire student reflection on benefits and risks of using AI tools

## **Six Assignment Components Inspired Reflection**

Step 1: Submit Your Assignment 1 Draft Outline

Step 2: Review Two Students' Outlines

Step 3: Ask ChatGPT for Feedback

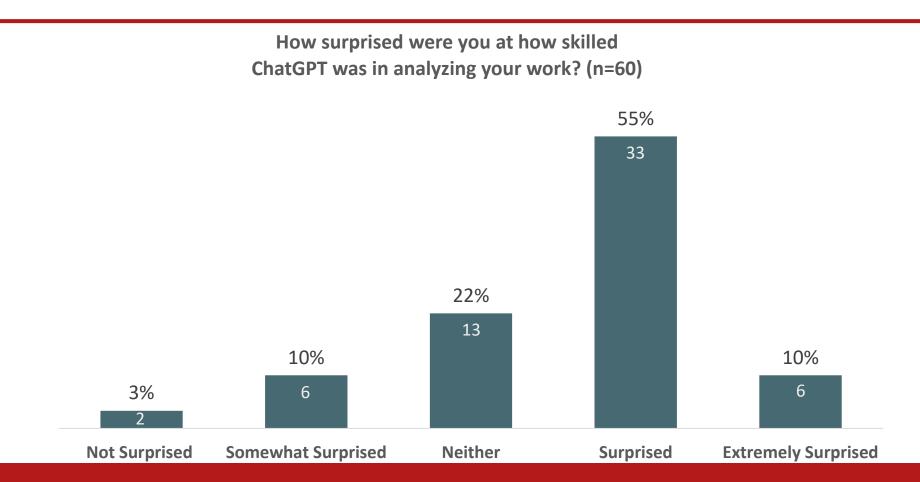
Step 4: Reflect on Your Experience with ChatGPT

Step 5: Compare AI and Human Feedback

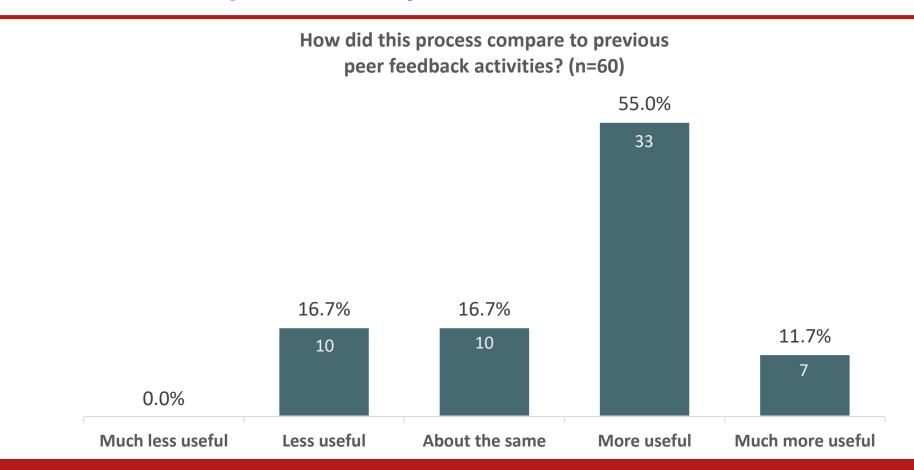
Step 6: Reflect on Peer Feedback



#### Students Reflected on ChatGPT's Feedback Skills



## **Students Compared Activity to Previous Peer Feedback**



## **Students Compared Anonymous and In-Class Feedback**

### **Anonymous Peer Feedback**

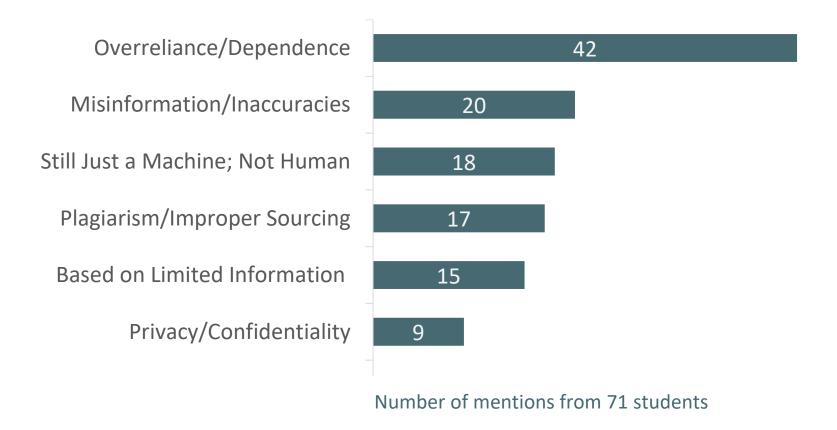
- Critical
- Constructive
- Honest
- Less detailed/surface-level

#### VS.

#### **In-Class Peer Feedback**

- Personal and emotional
- Detailed/in-depth
- Idea-driven
- Affirming

## Students Reflected on Dangers of Using Al



## We Revised the Assignment in Two Significant Ways

#### Sample Prompt

- Changed "tutor" to "instructor"
- 2) Added audience analysis

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