# AI MARKETING & COMMUNICATIONS (AI MARCOM) CHARTER



# COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE\*

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# Mission

helps empower the University of Arizona's marketing and communications professionals to integrate generative AI technologies into their work responsibly, effectively, ethically, creatively, and in alignment with the university's mission and values. The COP emphasizes a human-centered approach, professional development, and the sharing of researched best practices to help keep our colleagues informed.



# Scope of Responsibilities

- Advance conversations about applying AI in the university's marketing and communications community.
- Provide recommendations for Al adoption, training, and tools but not oversee departmental operational decisions.
- Partner with key university stakeholders for Al-related initiatives.

# Goals

- Curate a set of living, evolving guidelines and best practices for responsible AI use in marketing and communications.
- Conduct a baseline survey to understand current Al use and concerns and identify training needs.
- Host educational workshops and invite expert speakers to share best practices and innovations.
- Provide an adaptive toolkit of AI resources tailored to the U of A MarCom community.
- Foster collaboration and idea-sharing across the university to advance Al-driven strategies.



# **Functions**

#### → Research

Track Al trends and recommend ethical tools and practices.

#### → Guide

Help define a shared vision for Al use, emphasizing creativity, efficiency, and risk mitigation.

#### → Educate

Engage with experts to present workshops, webinars, and resources to enhance Al knowledge and skills.

#### → Collect

Gather data on AI adoption in university communications and feedback to refine strategies.

#### → Share

Promote the exchange of strategies and best practices across teams through centralized platforms.



# Roles



#### Chair

Oversees council meetings, sets agendas, and ensures progress on goals.



#### Co-Chair

Assists the chair and takes on responsibilities as needed.



#### **Members**

Actively contribute to initiatives, attend meetings, and collaborate on projects.

#### **Current Members**



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# Timeline and Milestones



- March: Finalize charter.
- April: Finalize baseline survey.
- May: Send out survey and analyze the results and begin building out a COP Sharepoint resource page/Al toolkit.
- **Summer:** Present survey results to U of A marcom community and use the results to inform next steps.
- December: Publish an annual report summarizing progress and impact.



- April: Launch a feedback survey to assess COP impact.
- May: Host a strategic planning retreat to set goals for the following year.

### **Communications Strategy**

- Internal Channels
- Workshops and Events
- Feedback Mechanisms
- Use Teams, SharePoint, and email for updates.
- Promote through MarCom networks and newsletters.
- Forums for input.



### Meeting schedule

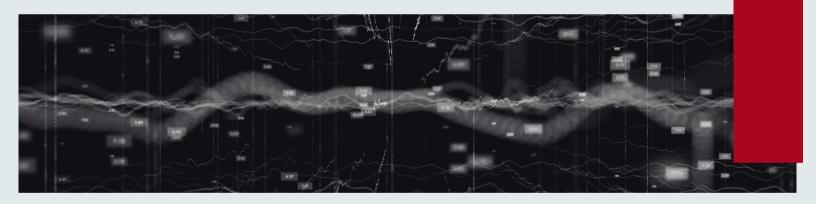
- Frequency
- Duration
- Format

- Monthly
- 1 hour
- Hybrid (in-person and virtual options)

### **Metrics for Success**

- Increased adoption and/or awareness of AI tools and resources among MarCom staff/units.
- Positive feedback from training sessions and resources.
- Growth in Al-driven project outcomes.

- Improved survey feedback on AI knowledge and comfort levels.
- → 3 identified use cases for AI in the marcom workflow.



## **Potential Challenges**

- → Resistance to change or lack of engagement.
- → Ethical concerns or misuse of AI tools.
- Rapidly evolving Al landscape requiring ongoing adaptation.

# Trends in AI Use in Marketing and Communications

**PERSONALIZATION** 

Enhanced customer experiences through targeted content.

**DATA ANALYSIS** 

Real-time insights and decisionmaking support.

SOCIAL MEDIA AUTOMATION

Streamlined scheduling and content creation.

IMAGE/GRAPHICS CREATION

Advanced tools for visual storytelling.

