

## Generative AI Value Statement for TAMUSA

At Texas A&M University-San Antonio (TAMUSA), we recognize the transformative potential and the challenges of Generative Artificial Intelligence (GenAI) in education, research, and its impact on our community. Our commitment to ethical GenAI use reflects our dedication to fostering innovation, enhancing learning experiences, and promoting equitable access to technological advances.

### Core Principles

- **Innovation and Research Excellence:** We support GenAI as a cornerstone of cutting-edge research and encourage its application across fields.
- **Educational Enrichment:** AI-driven tools enable our students to gain essential competencies for modern careers, but we emphasize that GenAI is not a substitute for critical thinking or original work. We are committed to ensuring that GenAI supports, rather than replaces, human creativity and academic rigor.
- **Ethical Leadership and Responsibility:** We are committed to ethical and responsible GenAI usage, promoting fairness, transparency, and accountability.
- **Lifelong Learning and Adaptability:** We foster a culture of continuous learning, ensuring our community remains adaptable and proficient in evolving technologies.

### Navigating GenAI in Higher Education

AI is a powerful tool in higher education, and TAMUSA is committed to ensuring its appropriate use. We value and are dedicated to helping our students understand and navigate both the opportunities and limitations of AI technologies.

- **Academic Integrity:** Unauthorized use of AI constitutes academic dishonesty and will be addressed according to the university's Student Code of Conduct.
- **Faculty Autonomy:** Faculty members have the freedom to decide how AI tools will be used in their courses. The decision to permit the use of GenAI, as well as the extent of its use, is at the discretion of individual instructors, based on their course objectives. It is the instructor's responsibility to provide students with clear guidelines on the use of GenAI, tailored to each specific course. These guidelines should be included in the course syllabus, and it is recommended that they be communicated verbally to students at the beginning of each course to ensure understanding.
- **Proper Acknowledgment:** When using some generative AI tools, proper acknowledgment and citation of AI-generated content is warranted. The library offers guidelines for citing GenAI-generated content.
- **Data Protection and Privacy:** Faculty, staff, and students need to be aware of intellectual property rights when using GenAI. AI tools can store, learn from, and share the data provided by users. Our community is dedicated to using GenAI in ways that protect privacy and intellectual property, ensuring that sensitive data are handled ethically.