

QUEENSBOROUGH COMMUNITY COLLEGE

DATE: November 14, 2023

FROM: QCC Special Committee on Pedagogical Response to Artificial Intelligence, Scott Litroff, Chairperson

TO: Academic Senate Steering Committee, Steven Dahlke, Chairperson

SUBJECT: CETL Engagement in Professional Development Related to AI

Whereas, artificial intelligence platforms have become widely and publicly accessible, and

Whereas, issues related to the use, misuse, and integration of artificial intelligence in collegiate learning has become a serious issue with respect to academic honesty, and

Whereas, individual Departments at QCC may find artificial intelligence to be a useful learning tool in specific areas according to their curriculum and departmental preferences, and

Whereas, the relative novelty of artificial intelligence platforms is such that many QCC faculty may not understand how to use this technology, and

Whereas, faculty who gain a better understanding of AI platforms, including its capabilities, limitations, and procedures of use, will be far better equipped to effectively tackle various issues regarding AI in their work at QCC, and

Whereas, CUNY-wide offerings in professional development related to AI have been few, and the relatively low enrollment limits placed on those events have made it very difficult for QCC faculty to access them, and

Whereas, efforts within QCC to curate such events for QCC faculty would provide a much-needed service at a time when guidance and training in areas related to AI are crucial to the faculty's ability to make the most educated and sound decisions regarding AI, and

Whereas, the mission of QCC's Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning, "to foster faculty innovation and effectiveness by providing professional development related to effective pedagogical and assessment practices," dovetails well with the need for faculty professional development opportunities related to AI, as doing so will promote both teaching excellence and student success, and

Whereas, it is acknowledged that QCC's CETL carries out the aforementioned mission under the purview of policy and guidance from the Office of Academic Affairs, and

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Therefore, be it resolved that it is the policy of Queensborough Community College that the QCC Center for Excellence in Teaching And Learning will offer professional development events in areas directly related to the understanding and use of AI platforms, and

Be it finally resolved that this Queensborough Community College policy will go into effect in the 2024-2025 Academic Year and going forward.