Ethical Educational Technology Working Group

Overview and Key Updates | ETUG 2024









Why an Ethical Educational Technology Working Group was Established

Educational technology tools are being widely adopted in post-secondary education

To effectively leverage these technologies and address potential challenges, it is essential to focus on:

Legal and Regulatory Compliance

Ethical Considerations





How Did the Work Come About?

Experts from
the postsecondary
sector, in
collaboration
with the
Ministry,
started the
EETWG



Conducted an environmental scan of resources related to ethical educational technologies



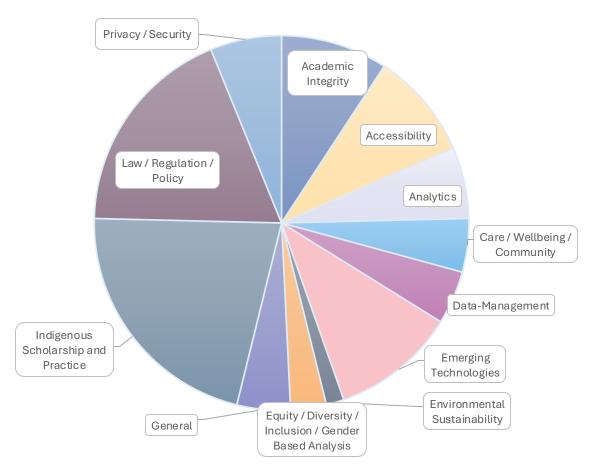
Defined categories and structure and clarifying audience



Ethical
Educational
Technology
Toolkit

Evaluation Results

Resources by Primary Theme



Summary of Evaluation:

- 90+ resources evaluated 65 approved for inclusion
- From the approved resources:
 - 27 are openly licensed
 - 22 specific to Canadian jurisdictions or contexts
 - An additional 20 with a multinational focus, including UNESCO and OECD









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Highlights key ethical considerations for educational technologies





Sample Consideration Question from the Toolkit

17. Have you explored how your institution plans to cultivate digital literacy among educators, learners, and staff to make best use of these emerging Educational Technologies, including knowing when they are appropriate and when they are not?

Response: To address this consideration, your institution could develop or access comprehensive online resources, including introductory overviews, interactive tutorials, step-by-step guides, and video demonstrations on using various Digital Tools and platforms. Where feasible, consider collaborating with other institutions to develop these materials or adapting openly licensed resources created elsewhere to supplement them. This approach can provide accessible, on-demand support to educators, learners, and staff, enhancing their digital literacy skills and guiding them on when and how to appropriately use emerging educational technologies.

Utilizing the Toolkit

This Toolkit can be applied in various scenarios, such as:

Supporting
decision-making
within procurement,
IT, or Technology
departments
regarding
educational
technologies

Assisting educators, administrators and academic governance bodies who have adopted or are planning to adopt new educational technologies in their teaching

Guiding the development of Request for Proposal (RFP) questions during procurement processes

Evaluating and repurposing existing technologies within institutions to meet new educational needs or objectives





Thank You

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