Policy on the Use of AI in Submissions to Incite Journal of Undergraduate Scholarship

At *Incite*, we recognize the growing role of artificial intelligence (AI) in academic work. While AI can be a valuable tool, its use in student submissions must be governed by clear guidelines to maintain academic integrity and the quality of our journal.

- **1. Faculty Mentor Permission:** Students are permitted to use AI in their submissions to *Incite* only if their faculty mentor has explicitly granted permission to do so. Students must adhere strictly to any AI-related guidelines or restrictions set by the faculty supervising the submission. If the faculty mentor has not provided explicit permission, the use of AI is prohibited.
- **2. AI Statement Requirement:** All students who submit to *Incite* must submit an AI statement at the end of their submission, regardless of whether they utilized AI tools in the development of their submission. This statement must:
 - Clearly indicate whether AI was used in any part of the submission.
 - Identify the specific AI programs or tools that were used (e.g., ChatGPT, Grammarly, Claude, DALL-E, etc.), if applicable.
 - Provide a brief explanation of how the AI was used in the creation or revision of the submission, if applicable.
 - Include a summary of the instructions or guidelines provided by the faculty mentor regarding the use of AI, if applicable.
 - Appear at the end of the submission below the references.

The AI Statement is a mandatory component of the submission and will be reviewed as part of the editorial process.

- **3. Compliance with Academic Integrity:** Students are reminded that the use of AI must not compromise the academic integrity of their work. In cases where a student quotes AI-generated research, these <u>citation guidelines from Purdue</u> may be of assistance. All AI-assisted content must be in full compliance with the guidelines provided by their faculty mentor.
- **4. Review and Enforcement:** Submissions that do not include an AI Statement or that violate this policy may be subject to rejection or further review. The editorial team of *Incite* may request additional information from the student or their faculty mentor to clarify the role of AI in the submission.

AI Statement

In the development of the Incite Policy on the Use of AI in Student Submissions, I utilized OpenAI's ChatGPT as a tool to assist with drafting the policy language. Specifically, I provided

the AI with a summary of the requirements for the policy, including the necessity for faculty permission, the requirement of an AI statement from students, and the need for compliance with academic integrity.

ChatGPT was used to generate a draft of the policy, which I then reviewed and refined to ensure that it met the specific needs and standards of Incite. The AI's role was limited to suggesting phrasing and structure based on the information I provided, and the final content was reviewed and approved by me.

No additional AI tools were used in this process.