ChatGPT — Do We Adapt or Resist?


Like the rest of the world, we’re talking about ChatGPT — the artificial intelligence chatbot that reached 100 million users within two months of its November 2022 launch. And we haven’t stopped talking about it — and with it — since.

Just as we once feared that calculators would replace the need to take math, Chat GPT has forced academic circles into a moral and technological panic — sparking heady conversations about honesty, manipulation and academic integrity. But really, all the hubbub boils down to this: How will we develop AI to support human goals and how best do we educate people on how to use these new technologies in effective and ethical ways?
Demoralizing Fatness

Being fat has become so culturally and morally freighted that even Roald Dahl's books are removing references to being fat. Join visiting Cornell professor, Dr. Kate Manne, PhD, on March 30 for a discussion about “fatness and the kinds of biases that we have against fat bodies.”

Don't miss it

Applications Now Open: Alumni Association Board of Directors Board Recruitment

Got opinions and ideas about alumni programs and how best to build a vibrant alumni community? The UCAA Board of Directors would love to hear from you and is recruiting now!

Apply By April 16!

Facebook Whistleblower Frances Haugen Kicks Off Speaker Series

During Haugen’s keynote speech on April 6, guests can expect her to discuss what propelled her to act as a whistleblower against Facebook, but more important, she will shed light on how technology and social media platforms can work for humanity.

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What's on Deck?
Grow Your Career Conference

Packed with in-person sessions — from topics such as mentoring and quiet quitting to workplace allies and overcoming burnout — learn something new on Saturday, March 18, held at UCalgary's downtown campus.

Accelerating Change: World Water Day Research Talks

Join us Tuesday, March 21 to celebrate World Water Day and hear how UCalgary scholars are 'Accelerating Change' through innovative water research. Sustainability-minded citizens are all welcome!

Creating New Pathways to Healing

On Saturday, March 18, join filmmaker/artist Sarah Uwadiae, MFA’18, launch her first film, CATHARSIS, a powerful documentary about mental health and therapy in African and Black immigrant communities in Canada.

Register NOW! Register NOW! Buy a Ticket!

University News

Taking Vitamin D Could Help Prevent Dementia, Study Finds

Researchers at the Hotchkiss Brain Institute and the University of Exeter explored the relationship between vitamin D supplementation and dementia in more than 12,000 participants and found that people who reported taking vitamin D supplements may have a lower risk of dementia.

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Stress, anxiety and depression can leave cancer patients and their loved ones feeling helpless and hopeless. An increasingly valued and urgent discipline, psychosocial oncology is transforming the way people live with cancer.

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Your voice matters! If you're interested in providing feedback on UCalgary's future, we want to hear from you. You can determine your level of involvement — start by completing this short survey.

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We Give These Gifts to the Future

On April 4, the Office of Indigenous Engagement presents Melanie Goodchild, part of the 2023 Indigenous Knowledge Lecture Series, produced in partnership with the Office of Sustainability's Climate Conversations Speaker Series.

Register HERE!

Upcoming Events and Programs

March 16 | Education for Reconciliation exhibit opens at the Taylor Institute for Teaching and Learning
March 22 | Science in the Cinema, at the Plaza Theatre, presents: The Necessities of Life (Ce qu'il faut pour vivre) in recognition of World TB Day.
April 16-23 | National Volunteer Week
April 21/22 | Calgary Youth Science Fair is seeking judges and volunteers
Ongoing | UCalgary Mindfulness podcast: The Importance of Sleep
Ongoing | [now innovating] presents Dr. George Shimizu (Solutions for Carbon Capture)
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