

Senate AI Committee (SAIC) Annual Report Winter/Spring 2026

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This report provides a comprehensive overview of the activities, deliberations, and achievements of the Senate AI Committee (SAIC), established in October 2025 according to the University AI Taskforce Report. The first committee meeting was held on January 21, 2026.

A. Committee Member

Name	Department
Faculty	
Seong Cho, Co-Chair	SBA
Jonathan Cooper for Bridget Kies on Sabbatical	CAS
Simone Amalio-Klebba	CAS, Professional Advising Council
Paige Gibson	CAS, Professional Advising Council
Anyi Liu	SECS
Ali Ahmad Malik	SECS at Large
Alcia Freeman Co-Chair	SEHS
Oscar Rodriguez-Franco	SHS
David Stewart	SOM
Kelly Berishaj	SON
Shawn McCann	UL
Ex-Officio, Student, and Staff Appointments	
Sarah Hosch	CETL
Ava McDowell	DOS
Dan Arnold	e-Lis
Nivedita Mukherji, Vice Provost	EVPA
Gina Giannosa	Graduate Student 2025-2026
Marcus Johnson	OUSC 2025-2026
Tomas Hajek	UTS

B. Committee Participation

The committee maintained a strong presence from a diverse group of university stakeholders. Membership included representatives from SBA, CAS, SEHS, SECS, SHS, SOM, SON, UL, e-LIS, UTS, and Student Congress. The Committee held 5 bi-weekly meetings with an average attendance rate of 79%. The meeting was primarily in person, with the option of participating via Zoom.

C. Committee Charge:

To develop, in conjunction with the Academic Conduct Committee, CETL, e-LIS, and the Dean of Students office, responses to the use of artificial intelligence software in student work.

- 1. To develop, in conjunction with the Research Office, policies for the use of AI software in research.**
- 2. To incubate ideas for curriculum and Teaching Prizes along with the University Committee on Undergraduate Instruction (UCUI), the Graduate Council, and the Teaching and Learning committee that will promote student learning outcomes in relation to artificial intelligence.**
- 3. To work with CETL and e-LIS to assist faculty with both personal and student use of AI in the classroom.**
- 4. To assist the Academic Computing Committee on AI-related resources for faculty and staff**
- 5. To support the development of collaborative work related to AI at OU**

D. Special Subcommittee Established

On March 18, 2026, the committee officially launched the AI Curriculum Subcommittee to bridge the gap between technical infrastructure and pedagogical application.

- **Members:** Seong Cho, Sara Hosch, Alcia Freeman (SEHS), Ava McDowell (DOS), Dan Arnold (e-LIS), and Tomas Hajek (UTS).
- **Objectives:** To assist faculty in incorporating AI into their classrooms and to lead the technical refinement of the university-wide AI survey.

E. Summary of Agenda and Resolutions

The committee addressed four primary charges related to student work, research policy, faculty assistance, and curriculum innovation. Key discussion areas and resolutions included:

Charge	Key Discussions & Resolutions
Syllabus Guidelines	Reviewed and incorporated the CETL guideline to clarify AI policies for students in the Curriculum survey.
University AI Survey	Resolution: Approved a university-wide curriculum survey to launch in Fall 2026 to map AI usage across units.
Special Presentation on AI	• Tomas Hajek (UTS): Presented staff AI usage statistics (prepared via NotebookLM) and provided technical briefings on the High Performance computer cluster update. • Ava McDowell (Dean of Students): Shared federal AI policy updates from Washington, D.C., and reported on trends in academic misconduct hearings. • Oscar Rodriguez-Franco (SHS): Delivered a detailed analysis of the SECS AI Workshop, demonstrating tools such as Claude, Napkin, and NotebookLM for content creation and research. • Alcia Freeman (SEHS): Led the presentation and iterative design of the AI Course Survey draft.