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Building a Community of Practice for Academic Integrity Workshop

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Building a Community of Practice for Academic Integrity Workshop

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Presentation Roadmap

Introduction
and Case
Study

What is a CoP
and why have
one?

What are the
challenges of
a CoP?

What
supports
success? How
do you know
success?



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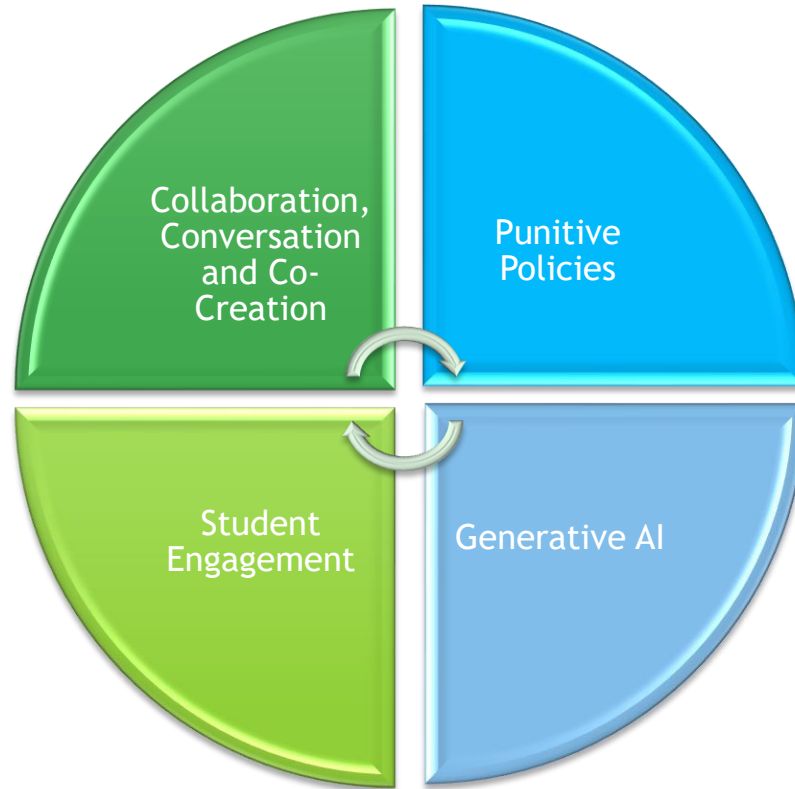
Introduction and Case Study: Hibernia College Academic Integrity Community of Practice





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Context



How can a HEI, providing a blended learning environment, meet the challenges poised to Continuous Assessment due to advances in Gen AI?



Can a Community of Practice approach facilitate student and staff engagement and ownership?



In meeting these challenges, can the College address the potentially punitive nature of responses to Academic Misconduct through policies, procedures and College strategy?

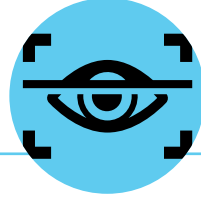
Conceptual Framework: Wenger et al. (2011)

Literature and Theoretical Grounding



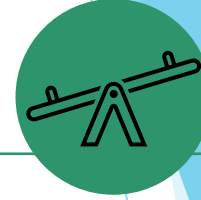
DISORIENTING DILEMMAS

- Decision to negate old perspectives in favour of new ones (Mezirow, 1991)
- Identity crisis as a developmental event, questioning sense of self and place in the world (Erikson, 1963)
- Subject Positions (Soreide, 2006)



CHANGE AND REVIEW

- Continued internal review process to improve AI Cultures within institutions (Möller, 2022)
- Transitional nature of HEI sector- move away from punitively penalising misconduct (Kaposi and Dell, 2012)
- Rejection of assumptions of moralistic approaches (Bretag et al. 2013)



CAUTION AND CHALLENGES

- Avoid top-down approach to policy review and analysis (Reedy et al. 2021)
- Avoid didactic approach to AI with student as passive recipient of outcomes
- Assessment Security (Dawson, 2021)
- Paralysis of Perfection

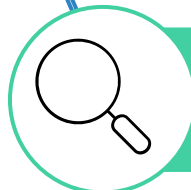


Community of Practice



How can Hibernia College improve the quality, quantity and variety of information on integrity provided to students? What can be done to deter students from engaging in academic misconduct? What strategies can be introduced to promote an institution wide procedure to promote AI? How can a robust whistleblowing strategy be developed?

Upholding AI
Preventing
Misconduct



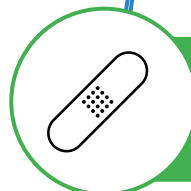
What training and supports are required for assessors and other staff? How can these be best facilitated and delivered? How can the new challenges of essay mills and AI text generators be addressed?

Detecting
Academic
Misconduct



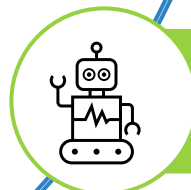
Which policies need to be reviewed and are no longer fit for purpose? Are policies underpinned by procedures and practices to enable implementation? What language needs to be included/updated? What new policies are required? How will essay mills and AI text generators be included?

Policy and
Procedures



How well are current disciplinary procedures functioning? How can suspected collusion be addressed? What systems are used by other colleges to rank offences? Which ranking system would work best for Hibernia College?

Dealing with
Misconduct



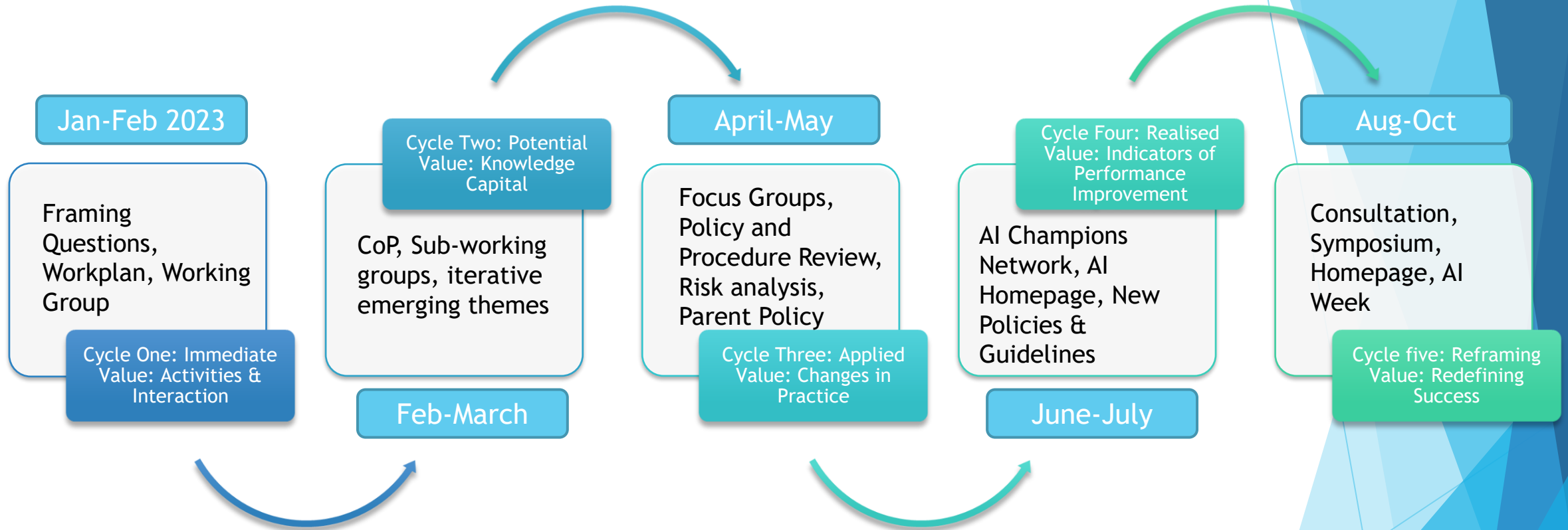
What are the new cheating services and how have they changed the playing field? How can the college begin to address these? What are the priorities? What types of training would be most valuable?

GenAI

Academic Integrity Journey



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Value Creation Framework, Wenger et al. (2021)



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Workshop Guide:



What is a Community of Practice and why have one?

Starters:

What characteristics?

What is unique?

What are the benefits?





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Safe and
Participatory
Space, Lave and
Wenger (1991)

Testing of ideas to
provide inspiration
and energy to
make positive
impacts (Eaton et
al. 2021)

Share experiences
and create new
ideas

Networking and
flexible, adaptable

Peer Learning

Enhance
Innovation

Creative Problem
Solving



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What are the Challenges of a Community of Practice?

Starters:

Setting it up?

Keeping it going?

Participation/participants?

Rules of engagement?



Community of Practice-Problems, Proactivity, Procrastination-Predicament?





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What Supports Success and How do you Know Success?

Starters:
Outputs
Participation
Evolution



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New Policies

New Acceptable
Use Guidelines

Academic Integrity
Champions
Network

Student
Participation

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Phase Two

Thank you