## RWS200 First Day Introductions August 26 2024

**Write answers to the questions below.**
**When you are done, in groups of 3-4, share your answers with the group, then with the class.**

1. Who are you, where you are from, what is your major?
2. Share one summer experience
3. Share a film, TV show, book, or song you've enjoyed recently
4. Say a little about how you've used A.I. tools in class, or work, or your personal life over the past year. For example, have you used A.I. much in class, and if so, which ones? Are there A.I.-related issues you are interested in exploring?

# Introductory Questions

| First Name | Where you're from, your major, some interests. Summer experience? | TV show, book, movie, or song | Experiences with A.I., and A.I.-related topics or areas of interest? |
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| McAelan | Chicago, Illinois<br>Statistics with Data Science<br>Chickens are cool, cats too<br>Started internship at the CDC as a Computer, Information, and Data Sciences ORISE Fellow | 3am - Thomas Ng | Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease Genetic Study - utilized R programming, machine learning, predictive modeling, etc, used AI for making draft code<br>Boston Housing Prices Project - used AI to help draft feature engineering techniques on random forest regression for machine learning<br>Titanic Disaster Prediction Model - used AI to identify key variables for machine learning and predictive modeling based on exploratory data analysis |
| Cole | Ventura County, Business Management, | Game of Thrones | I have used AI to help assist in homework and certain |

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| | I enjoy sports and hanging with friends, and I visited Texas and worked | | problems in classes such as Economics, History over the Summer, and with a rhetoric class first semester last year |
| Lana | I was born and raised in San Diego, My major is Mathematics with emphasis on Chemistry. I am looking/trying to transfer to Mechanical Engineering. I enjoy baking and building. I visited Las Vegas with my best friend, then Hawaii with my family, then Vegas again recently with my family. | Drive by - Train | I have no experience using AI within any of my classes. I have used AI as a fun tool to interact with and quickly get an in-depth answer. I am interested in working with AI within my career path. |
| Stefano | I was born in LA, my major is Business. I like to play soccer, listen to music, and hangout with my friends. During summer i went to a festival with my friends and had a good time. | Vikings | During school a couple years ago we had an assignment where we had to incorporate AI into our writing. I learned that the more detail you ask the more descriptive and specific your answer comes out. |
| Christian Estefanos | I am from San Diego, Business Accounting, I enjoy playing and watching football and basketball. My summer went well, I took a couple classes and worked primarily but still had a nice summer. | My favorite TV show is the Sopranos. | I've worked briefly with AI in school, I had a class last spring that allowed and suggested the use of AI to create images that referred to the topic of the week and write a paragraph summarizing the meaning of the AI generated image. |
| Molly | I am from Seattle and I am majoring in psychology. I am really interested in music, obviously psychology, and I've recently gotten into hiking. This summer I tried to explore more of my home state, went to some concerts, and took some family trips. I mostly just hung out with friends though. | Let It Be- The Beatles<br><br>Watching Twin Peaks | I have not used A.I. too much. If I do not understand a topic or an idea I will sometimes use chat gpt to explain it to me in simpler terms. |
| Eli | Seattle, Business Marketing, I play lacrosse, enjoy watching movies and listening to music, like to hike and ski, This summer I went to Europe for 3 weeks, then worked the rest of the summer | My favorite movie is Almost Famous | I don't use AI very much, but sometimes when I have a question that I need answering, I just plug it into ChatGPT because it gives a very in depth summary explanation. |
| Blake | I am from seattle. My major is | The chain - | I use AI in school and that's about it. I'm curious |

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| | psychology. I enjoy playing sports and hanging out with my friends. This summer i worked and hung out with friends. | fleetwood mac | about how far humans will take AI and how many people will lose their jobs because of it |
| Kelli Blauert | I am from Ventura, Ca. I am a Journalism major. I like to workout and tan. This summer I got a puppy with my mom and we named her Poppy. | Orange is the new black. | I have used A.I to help teach me math when I was having trouble understanding. |
| Josie | Im from San Diego, I am a Public health major. I like to hike and bake. This summer I mostly went to the beach and worked. | House of Dragon | I have used A.I. in the past to help explain things to me in simple terms to better understand a topic to how to do something. |
| Lane | Portland, Oregon. Sociology. I like to play videogames and i like hiking too. Hung out with my friends and worked. | Love island | I used AI in highschool |
| Josiah Hestad | Seattle, Kinesiology fitness specialist. I like snowboarding, surfing, lifting, running. I had a really bad case of bronchitis over the summer so I didn't do much. | Favorite movie is Hacksaw Ridge | I'll use AI sometimes to summarize long texts so I can better understand them. |
| Tyler Egan-Earle | I am from Oregon, I am a business major I am interested in thrifting, lifting, volleyball and hanging with my friends as much as possible. I love going to random coffee shops and spending my days at the beach. This summer I lived in Dana point CA and spent my summer working and exploring the area. | 10 things I hate about you | I don't use AI much but sometimes I would use it for inspiration in some of my classes on topics or just to gain knowledge on topics I didn't know much about |
| Claire Williams | From Oregon, Political Science major,I enjoy playing volleyball, going to the beach, doing fun things with friends, trying new restaurants. This summer I went on a few small trips, hung out with friends, worked as an intern for the House of Representatives and I also | Favorite movie is Cars | I have used AI as a tool in various writing classes to generate lists and ideas and also in tasks related to my major. |

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| | worked as a lifegaurd. | | |
| Catherine Ishaq | I'm from San Diego, I am accounting major, some of my interests include trying new things, hanging out with my friends, and organzing spaces. This summer I worked a lot as an execuative/administrative assistant at a company in their accounting department. | Favorite Show is Dynasty | I use AI when I am stuck on certain things to get ideas and on how to revise my writing better. I honestly use it a lot when it comes to getting ideas flowing and examples. |
| Gloria Brady | I'm from Lancaster, California and I'm planning on majoring in environmental science. This summer I went camping in Oregon for about a week and it was very fun. | Gossip Girl | I've had very little experience with AI. I only used it last semester once on a project and then I've used chatGBT a couple times to see what it did and to help explain things with my school work. |
| Sofia | I was born and raised in Torrance, CA (Los Angeles) and moved to San Diego over the pandemic. I am a Business Marketing major with a minor in Sustainability. I love photography, hiking, and really anything outdoors. During summer break I traveled to Cancun, Mexico and Oahu, Hawaii with my family. | Favorite movie: White Chicks | I don't use AI unless I have a question about something. I think it's helpful for basic questions. |
| Alejandro Cedeno | Panama, finance major, i like surfing ,basketball, doing gym, hang out with friends, over the summer i did snorkeling and whale watching. | Sintonia | I have used AI when i need some more in detail explaining of something that i didn,t understand in class or when i am stuck in some math problem i make the AI to explain me other methods to solve the problem. |
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| Parker | I'm from Orange County, criminal justice major. I like working out, going to the beach, and hanging out with my friends. Over summer I hung out with friends and went to EMT school | Kung Fu Panda | I've used AI to help me find different words or to check grammar in my essays. I don't have a ton of experience with it besides that. |
| Brooklyn Tremonti | Santa Clarita, Kinesiology major, visited Florida with family, I like hanging with friends and going to the beach. | Love Island | I have used AI in a few classes that had assignments where using AI was required and found that it was very helpful. |

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| Lexi Salfiti | San Francisco, Business major, visited roomies in Minnesota and Chicago. I love watching sunsets and listening to music along with hanging with friends. | Love Island | I have used AI a few times in classes to help me brainstorm ideas for certain topics and to help me correct and structure certain things such as grammar or resumes. |
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| Dayanara Gutierrez F. | San Diego, Criminal Justice major, I like to read, It as a pretty chill summer mostly stayed at home. | GOT (Series)<br>Forth Wing (book) | I have used AI to help me understand certain concepts and words for my politics class but thats really it, I don't know much about the topic. |
| Chris Herse | Redondo Beach, finance major. Had a pretty good summer experience got to see my friends and go to the beach multiple days a week. | Trailer park boys | My recent experiences with AI have been through google searches and I have found that rather than seeing a real link when I search something simple up I now see a AI response first and then the links after. |
| alex madrigal | From San diego borned and raised major is business marketing. One thing i did during summer was go to a music festival with my friends. One movie that i enjoyed recently was deadpool 3. I have decent experience in ai using it a bit in school and to create job resumes. | | |
| Marco Aaronson | I am from Seattle, Washington. My major is business real estate. My interests are outdoors. I worked over the summer and hung out with friends | Breathe in the air pink floyd | Help me write papers and give me good ideas |
| Kai McCandless | I'm Kai and I'm from la jolla, San Diego. My major is business marketing. Some of the things I like to do are to go to the beach, work out,  and hang out with my friends. I liked the fourth of July because I had a lot of fun hanging out with my childhood friends. I use Ai a lot. For example, it helps me format my resume | | |

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| | in the past: and also helps build my knowledge for all my questions. | | |

## In-class activities

1. If you have not already done so, enter your name on the Roster

2. Go to the class Google Drive (you'll need to use your SDSU account to access it). Find the folder with your surname and open it. Note the folder structure and where you will put your work this semester. Any questions?

   Next, create a test Google doc called "Test Note From [you]". Type "hello," or share a line from a song, meme, or poem.

   Lastly, find the file called "Index of Your Work." Open it and create a test link to any site that strikes your fancy.

3. Set sharing access on your Google folder. If you wish, set sharing so only you and I have access (my email is cwerry@sdsu.edu). Make sure I have the ability to "edit."
4. Go to the course wiki, click on "schedule and texts," then select Thompson, "Public Thinking." Look top left for the "**Download**" tab, click this, and make sure you can read the pdf of the text.

**Places to (potentially) share your writing beyond the classroom**

- ***FLEX***, a journal of first year writing that I edit
- *Medium.com*
- *SUBSTACK*
- The new wikisummaries project

**Class Links**

- RWS200 Course Wiki

- RWS200 Canvas site
- RWS200 Discussion Board