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Enhancing Cross-Cultural Exchange with AI: ChatGPT's Role in an International Online Student Conference

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This presentation explores the innovative use of ChatGPT in a research project that brought together Japanese, Indonesian, and Filipino university students for a one-day online conference focused on global issues. Faculty advisors worked with ChatGPT in preparing students for this event, providing language support and cultural insights, and assisting in the development of discussion topics and materials. The conference began with a 30-minute ice-breaking session centered on culture and interests, and then moved to two 40-minute student-led discussion sessions on global challenges. Post-conference, ChatGPT was instrumental in analyzing both quantitative and qualitative data from a follow-up questionnaire. This survey focused on participants' experiences and perceptions of each stage of the conference. ChatGPT's advanced language processing capabilities were utilized to interpret open-ended responses, providing deeper insights into students' cultural understandings and engagement levels. This interactive talk will highlight how ChatGPT enhanced the overall preparation and analysis processes, contributing to a richer, more effective cross-cultural exchange. We will share findings on the impact of this AI-assisted approach on students' communication skills, cultural awareness, and comprehension of global issues. The session aims to showcase the potential of AI tools like ChatGPT in enriching international educational experiences and facilitating in-depth analysis of educational research data. Attendees will gain valuable insights into leveraging AI for enhancing global citizenship and intercultural collaboration in academic settings.

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