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ABSTRACT

Since the release of ChatGPT, artificial intelligence (AI) has taken the world by storm, in many cases radically disrupting and transforming the way we work. The accessibility of powerful new AI technologies also brings with it opportunities and challenges for language learning and teaching. AI chatbots can act as intelligent language tutors able to provide individualised feedback adapted to a learner's proficiency level and interests. Learners can also use AI tools to produce higher-quality written work and oral presentations. However, an over-reliance on such tools may undermine their autonomy and raises questions on topics ranging from learning outcomes to ethics and academic integrity. To what extent should we allow or encourage our students then to use AI in their academic work, and which tools are most appropriate for use in and outside of the classroom? How can we mitigate the risks associated with AI? What does the existing research tell us about the effectiveness of AI tools for language education? And how is AI likely to shape the future of language

education? Our panel of CALL and AI experts will consider these and other pressing questions, drawing on their own research findings and on their experience as language educators.

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