

Integration of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in Skills-Based Pharmacy Courses

INTRODUCTION

- Advancements in technology change the identity of healthcare and the delivery of services to patients.¹
- Skills-based education within pharmacy curricula provide students with simulated real-world experiences in a variety of pharmacy practice skills.²
- Al utilization in the future of healthcare delivery is inevitable and therefore it is critical to incorporate into pharmacy and interprofessional education.³
- There is currently limited information on how AI technology, and its critical evaluation, will be integrated in pharmacy skills-based courses.

OBJECTIVE

Evaluate how pharmacy curricula currently use, or planned to use, AI within skills-based courses.

METHODS

- Electronic, anonymous Qualtrics^{XM} survey
- Emailed to AACP registered members
- Inclusion criteria: Skills course coordinator
- Open for two-months, bi-weekly reminders
- Data categorized with Microsoft Excel

Table 1. Demographics (n=98)	
Gender	N (%)
Female	56 (65
Male	25 (29
Prefer Not to Say	5 (6)
Age	
25-34	17 (20
35-44	35 (41
45-54	23 (27
55-64	10 (12
65 and Older	1 (1)
Years Working in Academia	
0-1	5 (5)
2-5	20 (20
6-10	23 (23
> 10	50 (51
Years as Skills Course Coordinator	
0-1	13 (13
2	6 (6)
3	11 (11
4	8 (8)
5 or More	60 (61

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Table 2. Current AI Use in Skills-Based Courses	
Current AI Use for Skills Curriculum (n=98)	N (%)
Yes	18 (18)
No	80 (82)
How Many Years of AI Use in Skills (n=16)	
0-2	7 (44)
2-3	1 (6)
More than 3	8 (50)
Number of Times AI Utilized in Skills (n=16)	
1	4 (25)
2	3 (19)
3	3 (19)
4 or More	6 (38)
Graded AI Activities in Skills (n=16)	
Yes	5 (31)
No	11 (69)
Current AI Use for Administrative Tasks (n=95)	
Yes	14 (15)
No	81 (85)



Figure 1. Current AI Tools Used in Skills Courses, select all



RESULTS



- Conversational
- Chatbox
- Digital Image
- Generator
- Gamification
- Instructional Design
- Interactive Personalized Learning
- Language Learning

Table 3. Future AI Considerations for Skills-Based Courses		
Considered AI Use for Skills Curriculum (n=94)	N (%)	
Yes	56 (60)	
No	38 (40)	
If No, Reasoning (n=38)		
Unclear benefit	19	
Unclear role/purpose in pharmacy education	20	
Unfamiliar with how to use it	21	
Concern it will hamper student learning skills	12	
Other	7	
Timeline Considering Implementation, select all (n=88)		
Within the next year	26 (30)	
Within two years	32 (36)	
Within 3 years	3 (3)	
Over 3 years or unsure	27 (31)	

- lack of familiarity
- Limitations

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DISCUSSION

Low reported AI utilization in skills-based courses • Majority of AI integration is not for health-care delivery High interest in AI integration in skills courses Concerns for integration focused on unclear role and

 Small survey response May not capture all ACPE-accredited programs • Lack of description of AI use in respective platforms

CONCLUSION

• Low reported AI use in curriculum and administration. • High reported AI planned use in the next two years. Additional needs for clear purpose and training.

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DISCLOSURE