

Al-Enhanced Cybersecurity Executive Reporting

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Abstract

This study illustrates that embedding GenAl ethics and structured Al tool use in cybersecurity curricula improves graduate student writing quality and confidence, while introducing a maturity model

Introduction

- Cybersecurity graduates often lack training in executive-ready communication.
- GenAl tools (ChatGPT, Grammarly) can support writing fluency, revision habits, and ethical Al literacy.
- This study integrates structured writing assignments and a writing maturity model to bridge this gap.

Methods

Graduate cybersecurity students (n = 52). Iterative writing pedagogical process:

- Draft without Al
- Complete curated Al use training
- Revise with AI tools
- Reflect & document Al use

Data: survey (Likert & reflections), assignment artifacts



Maturity Model: Cybersecurity Executive Report Writing

Risk Translated Decision Raw Strategic Technical Aligned Oriented but Business Verbose Narrative Briefing Dump Integration **Technical data without** Concise, prioritized Technical language **Technical** Reports aligned with recommendations partially translated, business objectives and information aligned executive context still detailed with security risks strategic Outcomes for executives

Findings

(n = 11, 21% response rate):

82%

Al improved structure & grammar.

73%

Greater confidence in writing.

82%

More time spent revising.

Common use: brainstorming, revising, tone refinement, citation checks.

- Al encouraged rewriting & reflection.
- Students valued normalized ethical use.
- Concerns: overreliance, poor-quality Al outputs.

Implications

- Structured AI integration improves fluency & ethics.
- Writing maturity model develops executive-ready communication.
- Scalable framework for higher ed + professional training.

Conclusion GenAl is not a magic wand!

When ethically integrated, it strengthens reflection, revision, and professional communication in cybersecurity education.