



## Certificate of Approval - Amendments

PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR:	<b>Neil Ernst</b> (Supervisor)	<b>ETHICS PROTOCOL NUMBER:</b>	<b>25-0298</b>
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UVIC DEPARTMENT:	<b>Computer Science COSI</b>	ORIGINAL APPROVAL DATE:	22-Aug-2025
		APPROVED ON:	03-Sep-2025
		APPROVAL EXPIRY DATE:	21-Aug-2026

PROJECT TITLE: **The use of GenAI in supporting student learning in software design**

**RESEARCH TEAM MEMBERS:**

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DECLARED PROJECT FUNDING: **None**

**DOCUMENTS INCLUDED IN THIS APPROVAL:**

SENG350 Coursework Questions.pdf - 20-Aug-2025  
Re- SENG 350 research study.pdf - 21-Aug-2025  
Recruitment Script -- SENG350 & SENG480.pdf - 28-Aug-2025  
consent\_form\_SENG350.pdf - 28-Aug-2025  
consent\_form\_SENG480.pdf - 28-Aug-2025  
Instrument Sketch SENG480.pdf - 28-Aug-2025  
Re: Ethics and Startup.pdf - 28-Aug-2025

### Conditions of approval

This Certificate of Approval is valid for the above term provided there is no change in the protocol.

**Amendments**

To make changes to the approved research procedure in your study, please submit "Amendments" or "Annual renewal with amendments" form. You must receive research ethics approval before proceeding with your amended protocol.

**Renewals**

Your ethics approval must be current for the period during which you are recruiting participants or collecting data. To renew your protocol, please submit a "Request for Renewal" form before the expiry date on your certificate. You will be sent an emailed reminder prompting you to renew your protocol about six weeks before your expiry date.

**Project Closures**

When you have completed all data collection activities and will have no further contact with participants, please notify the Human Research Ethics Board by submitting a "Notice of Project Completion" form.

### Certification

This certifies that the UVic Human Research Ethics Board has examined this research protocol and concluded that, in all respects, the proposed research meets the appropriate standards of ethics as outlined by the University of Victoria's policies for research involving human participants.

Dr. Sandra Gibbons  
Chair, Human Research Ethics Board

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Certificate Issued On: 03-Sep-2025