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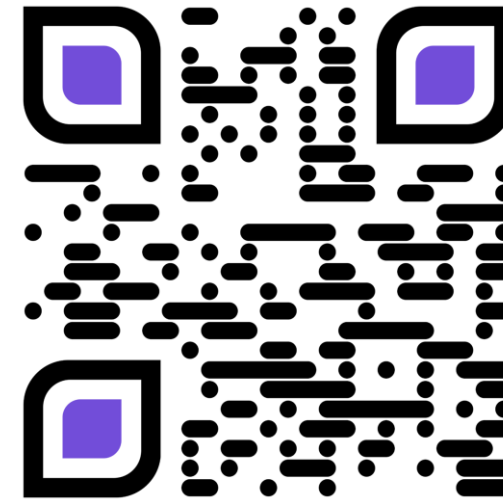
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Your Journey Today

See AI Leadership

Discover how CIC institutions are pioneering AI integration to transform classroom experiences and student outcomes.

Build Innovation Culture

Learn strategies for developing campus-wide AI infrastructure that fosters collaboration and forward-thinking mindsets.

Experience AI Firsthand

You will step into the student's seat with hands-on activities that reveal AI's transformative potential for your campus.



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The Partnership Driving Change

CIC's Vision

Empowering member institutions to **lead in the age of AI**, ensuring educational excellence and **preparing students for a technology-driven future**.

Together, we're building the roadmap for responsible, effective AI integration across CIC Campuses.

BoodleBox's Philosophy

Putting the "Ed" back into EdTech by closing the gap between vendors and institutions. We're not just technology providers—we're **educational partners**.

Our mission: Empowering lifelong learning about AI and supporting human excellence at every phase.



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Lipscomb University: Leading the Way

Pioneering Campus-Wide AI Access

First private university to provide enterprise AI access to all students, faculty, and staff.

Executing a Deliberate, Multi-Year Strategy

Started with an AI Committee in 2023, demonstrating a proactive long-term vision.

Leading with a "People-First" Framework

Developed formal AI policy and comprehensive training before full rollout.

Integrating AI into Core University Operations

Embedding AI beyond the classroom into functions like a Advancement and Advising.

Building Institutional Authority in AI

Launched Nashville's first graduate degree and certificate in Applied AI.



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What Teaching with AI Is NOT

Not a Replacement

AI doesn't replace educators—it amplifies their impact and frees time for meaningful student interaction.

Not Just a Cheating Tool

When properly integrated, AI becomes a learning scaffold, not a shortcut around critical thinking.

Not Only for Tech Fields

AI transforms teaching across all disciplines, from humanities to sciences, business to arts.

Not One-Size-Fits-All

Successful AI adoption respects pedagogical diversity and adapts to different teaching philosophies and learning contexts.

Not a Magic Button

Effective AI use requires effort, iteration, and skill development—it's a tool that enhances the learning process.



What Teaching with AI Really IS

Personalized Teaching Assistant

Every student gains an AI companion offering customized feedback and support tailored to their unique learning journey.

Creative Partner

Students brainstorm, outline, and learn to use AI as a thinking partner through dynamic interaction that develops their ideas more fully.

Experiential Learning Catalyst

Class time transforms into higher-order discussion and application while AI facilitates student immersion and transformation of course content.

Digital Literacy Vehicle

Teaching critical thinking and source verification becomes embedded in daily work as students learn to evaluate and use AI

responsibly.

Equity & Accessibility Tool

AI adapts to diverse learning needs and styles, creating more inclusive educational experiences for all students.



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Building an AI-Ready Campus

Successful AI adoption requires strategic planning, cultural transformation, and sustained commitment across all stakeholders.

The journey begins with laying the right foundation. Creating an AI-ready campus isn't about technology—it's about people, processes, partnerships, and shared purpose working in harmony.



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Foundation: Governance & Culture

Establish an AI Task Force

Form a cross-departmental committee bringing together faculty, IT, administration, and students to collaboratively guide AI strategy and implementation.

Develop Ethical Guidelines

Create an adaptable framework for responsible AI use that reflects institutional values and establishes clear boundaries for the campus community.

Cultivate Innovation Mindset

Champion a campus culture of curiosity, experimentation, and learning together—embracing AI as an opportunity rather than a threat.

Foster Leadership Partnership

Ensure administrators, educators and students co-design the path forward, breaking down silos and creating unified institutional direction.



Strategy: Policy & Pedagogy

Update Academic Integrity Policies

Proactively revise policies to distinguish between AI misuse and effective, cited use—creating clarity for students and faculty.

Rethink Classroom Assignments

Encourage experiential learning opportunities that require critical thinking, synthesis, and AI-assisted analysis and prepare students for real-world challenges.

Adopt Holistic Campus Strategy

Avoid fragmented adoption by creating a unified approach to AI access, training, and support across all departments.

Prioritize Equitable Access

Ensure all students, faculty, and staff have equal access to powerful, safe AI tools—making innovation available to everyone.



Implementation: Platform & People

Select Edu-Focused, Secure AI Platform

Choose an AI partner built for education, prioritizing privacy, security, and learning outcomes over generic tools.

Plan Comprehensive Training

Develop training for faculty pedagogy, student AI literacy, and staff workflow efficiency—meeting everyone where they are.

Create Community of Practice

Build internal hubs where groups share successes, challenges, and innovative approaches, fostering continuous improvement.

Focus on Student Outcomes

Frame the entire initiative around preparing students for their future careers and the AI-enhanced workplace they'll enter.





AI in Action Across CIC Campuses

Let's explore real-world examples of how your CIC peers are already transforming teaching and learning with AI. These snapshots demonstrate practical applications that are making a difference today.



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Point Loma Nazarene

AI in Marketing & Entrepreneurship
University

The Challenge

Graduates lacked hands-on experience applying emerging technologies to real-world business challenges—leaving a critical gap between classroom theory and workplace demands.

The Solution

Students built custom AI bots that simulated real-world business scenarios, helping students apply theory to practice through collaborative and individual projects that mirrored actual business environments.

Hands-On AI Experience

Students gained practical skills working directly with AI technology in business contexts

Theory to Practice

Moved beyond textbook learning to applied problem-solving with real scenarios

Career Readiness

Graduated with stronger preparation in business technology integration



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Nebraska Wesleyan

AI for Clinical Practice Training

University

The Challenge

Students needed a safe, structured way to bridge the gap between classroom learning and live group therapy practice to build confidence and strengthen clinical decision-making before entering real-world settings.

The Impact

Students practiced skills in AI-guided simulations before live role-plays, showing stronger clinical reasoning, preparedness, and richer in-class discussion.

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The Solution

Faculty integrated BoodleBox into the Advanced Practice with Groups course. Students used custom bots to quiz themselves, build client characters, explore theories, and co-design therapy group plans—all guided with structured reflection.



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Furman University

AI as a Liberal Education Partner

The Challenge

Students often master content but struggle to apply it through curiosity, communication, and critical reflection.

The Solution

Furman positioned AI as a collaborator for critical reflection. Students began with intentionally "bad prompts" to learn iteration and refinement. They also used AI as a coach to rehearse poster presentations and strengthen their explanations.

67%

Knowledge Increase

Improvement in student understanding about AI capabilities and applications

1.5x

Comfort Level

Students became significantly more comfortable working with AI tools

60%

Confidence Boost

Increased confidence after AI activities including iteration and presentation rehearsal



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Leadership Simulation Assignment: Applying Theoretical Frameworks in Virtual Workplace Scenarios

Start: 7/28/25 - Due: 7/31/25

Students

Student	Chats	Exchanges	Messages	Status	
Meriem T	1	10	0	Submitted 7/29/25	View
Meredith Lancaster	0	0	0	Submitted 8/29/25	View
Miles Trenner	1	5	1	In-progress	View
Michael Landis	1	19	0	Submitted 7/29/25	View
Mike Alonzo					
Zach Kinzler					
Ayla Corbin					
France Hoang					
Caleb Drayton					

Meeting scheduling and follow-ups

AI Implementation Tip: For optimal results, consider using multiple specialized AI models in combination:

@perplexity - Market research and real-time data
@gpt4-1 - Strategic analysis and report writing
@claude37-sonnet - Complex reasoning and due diligence
@codestral - Technical assessment of startup technology

Remember to select the appropriate model based on the specific task at hand. For example, use Perplexity when you need current market data, and Claude for deep analysis of complex business documents.

Would you like me to elaborate on any of these areas or provide specific implementation strategies?

Claude 3.5 Sonnet @claude35-sonnet
3 weeks ago

Coach Mode

Append tips & tricks to responses

Message Mode

Ignore bot to send as a chat message

Introducing BoodleBox

BoodleBox is the collaborative AI platform that **empowers human potential through responsible AI integration**. BoodleBox helps educational institutions **build AI literacy, foster educator-student collaboration, and prepare students for AI-integrated careers** through AI coaching, structured AI assignments, and transparent learning environments.

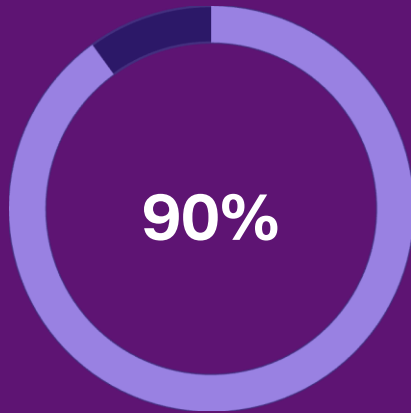
Trusted by 50,000+ users across 1,300+ institutions—because the future belongs to humans who can collaborate effectively with AI.

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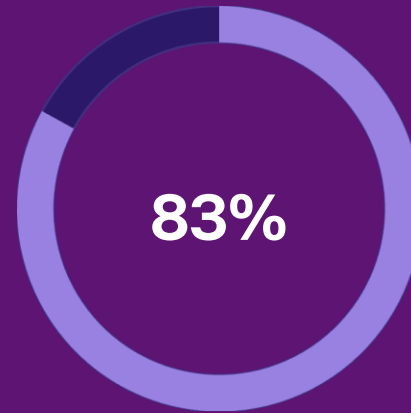
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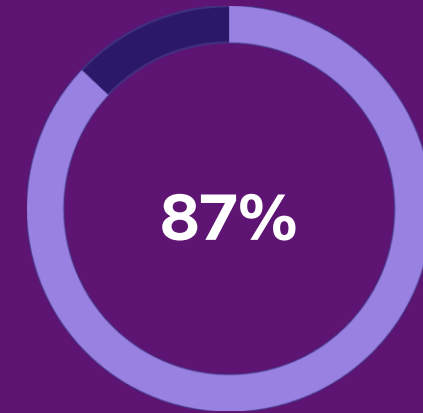
Ethical AI Incorporation

Students felt BoodleBox was a more ethical way to incorporate AI



AI Prompting Knowledge

Students reported that using BoodleBox made them more knowledgeable about AI prompting



Improved AI Experience

Students indicated that using BoodleBox was a better experience than using alternative AI tools

Faculty also report a notable drop in plagiarism and misuse.



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CIC Custom Bot Library

Browse a collection of **Custom Bots** & **Bot Blueprints** created by the **Council of Independent Colleges**. See real-world examples of AI chatbots built for various applications and get inspired to create your own!



Course Companion Bot

A personal academic assistant helps manage information across all your courses. Simply share your syllabi, and the bot will create an organized list of important information, including deadlines, and requirements for each class.

Created by CIC
Try this bot

Want to see how this bot works?
View Bot Blueprint



SMART Goals Assistant Bot

A specialized tool designed to guide university professors and staff members through the process of creating annual professional goals.

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Therapy Trainer

TherapyTrainer is an educational simulation bot designed to help therapy students practice the skills by role-playing a virtual patient presenting depression based on DSM-5-TR criteria.

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Law Assessment Tutor



Grading Evolved



Syllabus Explainer Bot Blueprint

The CIC Bot Library: Building Together

We're thrilled to introduce the **CIC Bot Library**—an exclusive hub where CIC schools can share, submit, and remix bot ideas to support everything from academic research to student services.

Share Ideas

Contribute your successful bots for others to learn from and adapt

Remix Solutions

Take what works elsewhere and customize it for your campus needs

Innovate Faster

Skip the trial-and-error phase by building on proven approaches

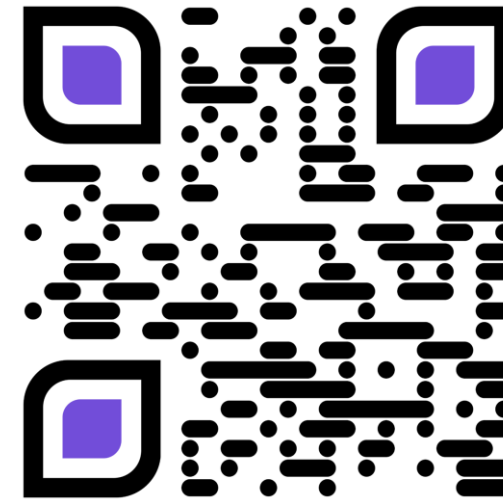


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Hands-On Workshop: Build Your First Bot

Get Started

Answer a few questions so the bot can understand your role and goals.

Build Your Bot

The bot will help you create a personalized system prompt for your own helper bot.

CIC Bot Ideas

Brainstorm simple, useful bots your institution could benefit from (like student FAQ or course assistant bots).

Refine & Wrap Up

Review your prompts and learn how to bring them to life in BoodleBox.



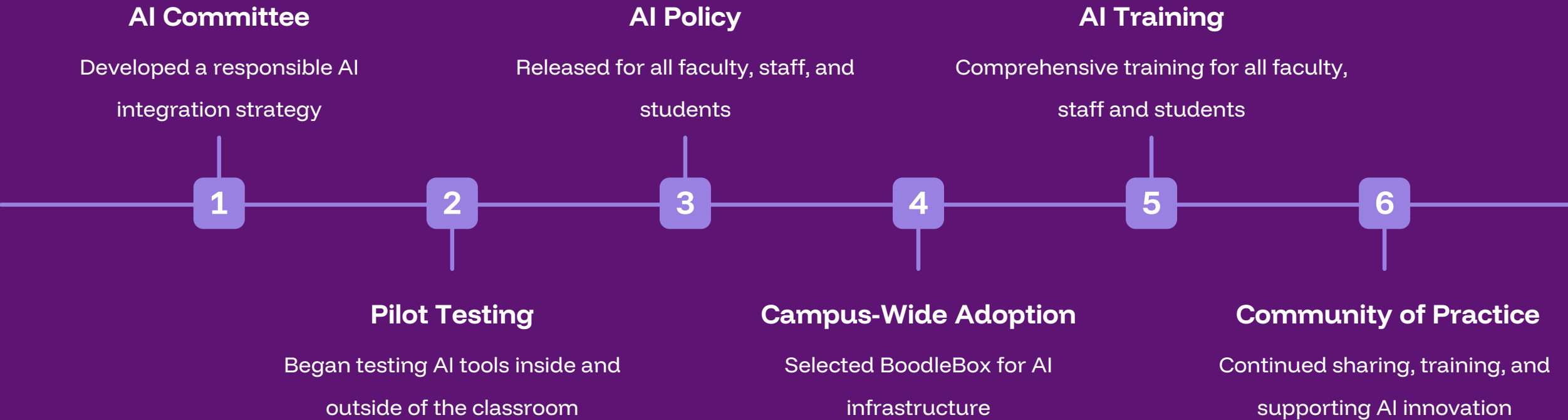
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The Journey in Action: Lipscomb University



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Key Outcomes of Strategic AI Partnership

Prepared Students

Graduates leave with AI fluency and a portfolio of AI-assisted work that demonstrates real-world capabilities

Equitable Access

Close the digital divide on campus by ensuring all students have access to cutting-edge AI tools

Empowered Faculty & Staff

More time for high-impact work, innovative teaching methods, and meaningful student interactions

Culture of Innovation

Position your institution as a forward-thinking leader in higher education technology adoption

Administrative Confidence

Robust security, privacy protections, and data control that meet institutional governance requirements

Environmental Impact

A responsible, sustainable approach to technology that aligns with institutional values



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Your Exclusive CIC Opportunity

30 Free BoodleBox Seats

No-cost, no-risk way to explore AI on your campus

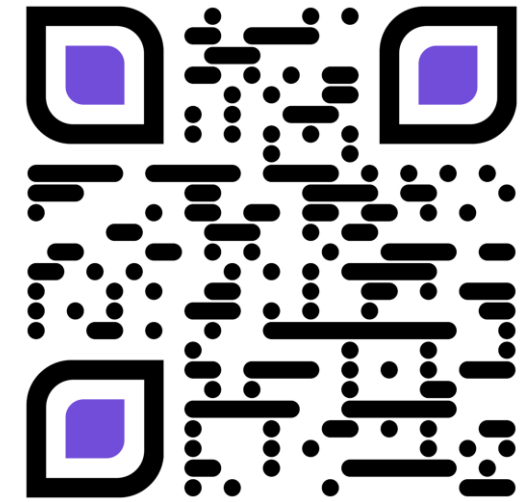
Special CIC Pricing

Affordable access to AI tools at the lowest negotiated price

CIC Bot Library Access

Access CIC-built bots, share a bot that solves a real problem

Ready to begin? Scan the QR code to claim your pilot, get Bot Library details, and access exclusive CIC pricing for scaling campus-wide.



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