

## Meeting #2: AI For Idea Generation

### Objectives

- Learn methods for using AI to generate and refine ideas.
- Understand how to develop good prompts for idea generation.
- Begin outlining your piece.

### Agenda

- Check-In (5 minutes) – *Seher and Tom*
  - Any questions, concerns about last week's topic or today's?
- Quick Sharing of Op-ed Topic Ideas (5 minutes) – *Tom*
  - What are you planning to write about? And are you writing alone or with a friend?
- AI Writer Toolbox: [AI for Idea Generation](#) (10 minutes) – *Seher*
  - Take the participants through the relevant toolbox section.
  - Explain strategies for generating ideas, and how they lead to a more effective research practice.
  - Demo an example.
- Activity Part 1: Brainstorming with AI to develop an idea map (20 minutes) – *Seher*  
(*Tom can help with visiting groups as they work*)
  - In small groups, use ChatGPTedu to:
    - Generate different potential perspectives on your topic
    - Generate related subtopics
    - Explain the genre expectations of the type of writing assignment (op-ed)
  - Come back to the large group to share findings, thoughts, and pros/cons of the method.
- Activity Part 2: Use AI to generate 2-3 possible outlines. (15 minutes) – *Seher*
  - Make sure to refine and personalize the prompt based on the ideas you've refined in the previous activity.
    - The point of this is to practice writing prompts that will not have the chatbot developing an argument for you, but rather comes with an outline based on what you've decided your argument will be.
  - Share examples and discuss. What felt usable? What didn't?
- AI for Research: Keywords (5 minutes) – *Seher*
  - What terms emerged from the AI output that you could use in your research?

- HOMEWORK: Complete outline. Upload a copy of it to the Canvas assignment.