Governing AI: CIO Strategies for AI Implementation

Make access, authority, data and accountability explicit before scaling AI across campus

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Govern AI at Campus Scale.

A useful AI pilot raises a larger question: how will the institution govern it when more people, systems and decisions depend on it?

The CIO's task

Turn governance principles into operating choices:

- Who can use AI
- What it may do
- Where data is processed
- Who owns the outcome

A practical starting point

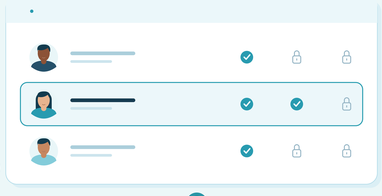
Choose one campus workflow. Bring IT, data stewards and service owners together to answer the six questions at the center.

ACCESS

How do you provide equitable access to 10,000 students?

PERMISSION

Whose login is the agent using?



COMPREHENSION

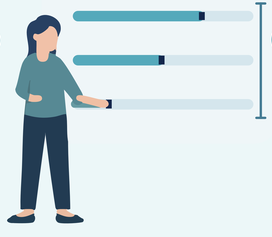
Does your agent understand the data the same way as you do?

RESIDENCY

What if the software came to your data?

COST

How do you put a ceiling on AI spend across thousands of licenses?



ACCOUNTABILITY

When an agent gets something wrong, who answers for it?

Decisions to make

Access

Define equitable access, accessibility and support.

Permission

Specify agent identity, permitted actions and approval limits.

Comprehension

Agree on data definitions and test ambiguous cases.

Residency

Document where data is processed, stored and retained.

Cost

Set budgets, usage limits and review triggers.

Accountability

Name an owner, a reviewer and an escalation path.

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01 Scope
Choose a workflow and define success.

02 Assign
Record controls, owners and decision rights.

03 Pilot
Test quality, access, spend and exceptions.

04 Review
Use evidence to refine controls before expanding.