

Curtin University Disables Turnitin's AI-Writing Detection — An Equity-Driven Policy Reversal

AI in Education · Good practice · Australia

Quality score: 53/100

Evidence strength: Descriptive / self-reported

Summary

From 1 January 2026, Curtin University (Australia) disabled Turnitin's AI-writing detection campus-wide, keeping only text-matching checks, citing reliability problems and unequal false-positive rates across student groups — joining dozens of universities abandoning AI detectors.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Evidence of learning impact	0/3
Equity & inclusion	2/3
Transparency, ethics & data protection	3/3
Teacher capability & pedagogy	1/3
Scalability & sustainability	2/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-09-11

[Curtin University](#) — accessed 2026-09-11

[Official Curtin University announcement](#) — accessed 2026-09-11

[Independent EdTech coverage \(EdTech Innovation Hub\)](#) — accessed 2026-09-11

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