

Artificial Intelligence in Commerce Studies: Student Experiences, Perceived Advantages, and Gender-Based Adoption Trends

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Abstract

The integration of AI (Artificial Intelligence) in commerce studies is transforming educational paradigms, offering new opportunities and challenges for students. This study explores student experiences with AI tools in commerce education, examining perceived advantages as well as challenges faced by them, such as E.L. (Enhancing Learning), Sk. D. (Skill Development), Ac. I. (Access to Information), B.U. (Better Understanding) and O (Other) and challenges faced by students like as P (Privacy), E (Ethical), Acc .I. (Accuracy Information), R.H.I. (Reduced Human Interaction) and A.O. (Any Other). Additionally, the research investigates gender-based adoption trends, assessing whether male and female students differ in their engagement with AI technologies with ChatGPT, Meta AI, DeepSeek and Gemini. The required data collected through a structured questionnaire in the form of google with the sample size of 144 with convenience sample from commerce first year, second year and third year students. Moreover, applied Chi-Square test at 5 percent significance level. The study highlights key insights into AI's role in shaping modern business education and identifies potential disparities in technology adoption. The findings contribute to discussions on equitable AI integration and its implications for future commerce curricula.

Keywords: Artificial Intelligence, Commerce Education, Student Experiences, Gender Differences and Technology Adoption.

1. Introduction

The rapid advancement of Artificial Intelligence (AI) has meaningfully influenced various sectors, including education. In the field of commerce and business management studies, AI tools such as ChatGPT, Meta AI, DeepSeek, and Gemini are reshaping traditional learning methodologies, contribution students' new ways to develop their academic and professional aids. The integration of AI in commerce education presents both opportunities and challenges, impacting students' learning experiences, skill development, and access to information. However, concerns related to privacy, ethical implications, information accuracy, and reduced human interaction also emerge as critical considerations in AI adoption.

Additionally, gender-based differences in technology adoption may influence how male and female students engage with AI tools, potentially affecting their learning outcomes. Understanding these trends is essential for designing inclusive and effective AI-integrated commerce curricula. This study explores

student experiences, perceived advantages, and challenges associated with AI in commerce education while examining potential gender disparities in AI adoption.

Using a sample size of 144 commerce students of first, second, and third-year and applying the Chi-Square test at a 5% significance level, this research provides insights into how AI is transforming commerce education. The findings aim to contribute to discussions on equitable AI integration and inform future educational strategies in business studies.

2. Literature Review

- 2.1.1. *AI Integration in Commerce Education*: The integration of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in commerce studies has transformed traditional learning methodologies. Researchers highlight AI's role in automating administrative tasks, enhancing personalized learning, and improving student engagement (Smith & Johnson, 2022).
- 2.1.2. *Student Experiences with AI Tools*: Studies indicate that students perceive AI-powered platforms like and adaptive learning systems as beneficial for instant feedback and customized study plans (Lee & Wang, 2021). However, some report challenges in adapting to AI-driven assessments.
- 2.1.3. *Perceived Advantages of AI in Commerce*: AI applications in commerce education offer advantages such as real-time data analysis, predictive modelling for market trends, and automated grading systems (Brown & Davis, 2023). These tools help students develop industry-relevant skills.
- 2.1.4. *Gender-Based Adoption Trends*: Research suggests gender differences in AI adoption, with male students showing higher engagement in AI-based technical modules, while female students prefer AI applications in marketing and consumer behaviour studies (Taylor & Clark, 2022).
- 2.1.5. *AI and Academic Performance*: Empirical studies reveal that AI-assisted learning improves academic performance by providing tailored content and identifying knowledge gaps (Martinez et al., 2021). However, over-reliance on AI may reduce critical thinking skills.
- 2.1.6. *Ethical Concerns in AI Education*: Scholars debate ethical issues such as data privacy, algorithmic bias, and the digital divide in AI-enhanced commerce education (Kumar & Patel, 2023). Institutions must address these concerns to ensure equitable access.
- 2.1.7. *AI in Curriculum Development*: AI-driven analytics help educators design dynamic curricula aligned with industry demands (Harris & Wilson, 2022). This ensures that commerce students acquire relevant skills for the digital economy.
- 2.1.8. *Student Attitudes Toward AI*: Surveys indicate mixed attitudes, with tech-savvy students embracing AI, while others express scepticism about its effectiveness in replacing human instructors (Nguyen & Roberts, 2023).
- 2.1.9. *AI in E-Commerce Training*: AI simulations and virtual marketplaces provide hands-on experience in digital marketing, supply chain management, and financial analytics (Garcia & Lopez, 2021).
- 2.1.10. *Barriers to AI Adoption in Commerce Studies*: Challenges include high implementation costs, faculty resistance, and lack of institutional support (Adams & Bennett, 2022). Addressing these barriers is crucial for widespread AI integration.
- 2.1.11. *AI and Collaborative Learning*: AI-powered group projects and peer assessment tools enhance collaborative learning experiences (Fernandez et al., 2023).
- 2.1.12. *Future Trends in AI-Driven Commerce Education*: Experts predict increased use of AI for predictive career guidance and immersive learning via augmented reality (Robinson & Kim, 2023).

- 2.1.13. Cultural Influences on AI Adoption:** Cross-cultural studies show varying levels of AI acceptance among commerce students in different regions (Zhang & Li, 2022).
- 2.1.14. AI and Employability Skills:** AI-trained commerce graduates exhibit stronger analytical and decision-making skills, making them more competitive in the job market (Evans & Turner, 2023).
- 2.1.15. Policy Recommendations for AI in Education:** Researchers advocate for structured AI literacy programs and faculty training to maximize benefits (Parker & Scott, 2023).

3. Research Gap

The existing literature extensively explores the integration of AI in commerce education, highlighting its benefits in personalized learning, administrative automation, and employability enhancement. However, there is limited research focusing on the specific challenges students face while using AI tools, particularly in commerce education. While some studies mention adaptation difficulties and ethical concerns, a systematic investigation into technical, cognitive, and usability barriers remains underexplored. Additionally, while perceived benefits such as real-time feedback and customized learning are acknowledged, there is a need to study these benefits in depth, comparing student experiences across different AI applications such as ChatGPT, Meta AI, DeepSeek, and Gemini. Furthermore, although gender-based adoption trends have been noted, there is insufficient research evaluating whether gender influences the frequency, comfort level, or perceived effectiveness of AI tools in commerce education. A deeper analysis of this association could inform more inclusive AI implementation strategies.

4. Objectives

To study the perceived benefits and challenges faced by students with the use of AI.
To evaluate the association between advantages and challenges faced by gender base.

5. Hypothesis

H_{0.1} : There is no impact significance difference between benefits of AI use and gender.
H_{0.2} : There is no impact significance difference between challenges faced by use of AI and gender.

6. Scope and Limitation

The present research is limited to examine the advantages and challenges faced by students while adopting the AI tools like ChatGPT, Meta AI, DeepSeek, and Gemini. In addition to it the study is going to examine gender-based difference of advantages and challenges at Warangal Urban District of Telangana state.

7. Methodology

7.1. Research Design: A quantitative research approach.

7.2. Questionnaire : Structured Type of Questionnaire.

7.3. Sample Type: Convenience Sample.

7.4. Sample Size: 144 commerce students from various colleges from 1st year, 2nd year and 3rd year.

7.5. Geographical Area: Warangal Urban District of Telangana state.

7.6. Data Collection: A structured questionnaire (google form) prepared with use of AI tools (ChatGPT, Meta AI, DeepSeek, and Gemini), Perceived benefits enhancing learning, skill development, access to information, better understanding and challenges faced by the while applying AI as privacy, ethical,

accuracy of information and reduced human interaction with Likert scale of S.D. (strongly disagree), D (disagree), N (neutral), A (agree) and S.A. (strongly agree).

7.7. Statistical Tool: Chi-Square Test at 5 percent significance level ($\alpha=0.05$).

7.8. Software Use: SPSS

8. Data Analysis

8.1. Demographical Data Analysis

Table 1: Year-Wise students using AI Tools

| Year | No of Students | Percentage |
|----------|----------------|------------|
| I Year | 40 | 27.77 |
| II Year | 46 | 31.94 |
| III Year | 58 | 40.29 |
| Total | 144 | 100 |

(Source: Primary Data)

Table 2: Gender-Wise students using AI Tools

| Gender | No of Students | Percentage |
|--------|----------------|------------|
| Boys | 69 | 47.92 |
| Girls | 75 | 52.08 |
| Total | 144 | 100 |

(Source: Primary Data)

8.2. Table 3: Usage of AI Tool-Wise and Gender-Wise (B-Boys and G-Girls)

| AI Tool | No of Students | Gender | No of B/G | Percentage | Percentage |
|----------|----------------|--------|-----------|------------|--------------|
| Chat GPT | 61 | Boys | 25 | 40.99 | 100 42.36 |
| | | Girls | 36 | 59.01 | |
| Gemini | 13 | Boys | 8 | 61.54 | 100 9.03 |
| | | Girls | 5 | 38.46 | |
| Meta AI | 42 | Boys | 28 | 66.67 | 100 29.17 |
| | | Girls | 14 | 33.33 | |
| DeepSeek | 17 | Boys | 12 | 70.59 | 100 11.80 |
| | | Girls | 5 | 29.41 | |
| Other | 11 | Boys | 6 | 54.54 | 100 7.64 |
| | | Girls | 5 | 45.46 | |
| Total | 144 | | | | 100 |

(Source: Primary Data Processed through SPSS)

8.3. Table 6: Perceived Benefit with the Use of AI Tools (E.L.- Enhancing Learning, Sk. D.-Skill Development, Ac. I.-Access to Information, B.U.-Better Understanding, O-Other, S.D-Strongly Disagree, D-Disagree, N-Neutral, A-Agree and S.A.-Strongly Agree)

| Benefits | S.D. | D | N | A | S.A. | Total |
|----------|------|----|----|----|------|-------|
| E.L. | 9 | 21 | 15 | 57 | 42 | 144 |

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|-------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-----|
| % | 6.25 | 14.58 | 10.42 | 39.58 | 29.17 | 100 |
| Sk.D. | 10 | 12 | 5 | 38 | 79 | 144 |
| % | 6.94 | 8.33 | 3.48 | 26.39 | 54.86 | 100 |
| Ac.I. | 11 | 19 | 6 | 45 | 63 | 144 |
| % | 7.64 | 13.19 | 4.17 | 31.25 | 43.75 | 100 |
| B.U. | 4 | 23 | 9 | 27 | 81 | 144 |
| % | 2.78 | 15.97 | 6.25 | 18.75 | 56.25 | 100 |

(Source: Primary Data Processed through SPSS)

8.4. Table 7: Challenges Faced by Students while Using AI Tools (P.- Privacy, E.-Ethical, Acc .I.- Accuracy Information, R.H.I.-Reduced Human Interaction, A.O.-Any Other, S.D-Strongly Disagree, D-Disagree, N-Neutral, A-Agree and S.A.-Strongly Agree)

| Challenges | S.D. | D | N | A | S.A. | Total |
|------------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| P | 6 | 27 | 12 | 46 | 53 | 144 |
| % | 4.17 | 18.75 | 8.33 | 31.94 | 36.81 | 100 |
| E | 7 | 6 | 22 | 67 | 42 | 144 |
| % | 4.86 | 4.17 | 15.28 | 46.53 | 29.16 | 100 |
| Acc.I. | 9 | 21 | 15 | 38 | 61 | 144 |
| % | 6.25 | 14.58 | 10.42 | 26.39 | 42.36 | 100 |
| R.H.I. | 8 | 15 | 20 | 47 | 54 | 144 |
| % | 5.56 | 10.41 | 13.89 | 32.64 | 37.5 | 100 |
| A.O. | 4 | 22 | 42 | 36 | 40 | 144 |
| % | 2.79 | 15.28 | 29.16 | 25 | 27.77 | 100 |

(Source: Primary Data Processed through SPSS)

8.5. Table 8: Chi-Square Test Result

| Benefit/Challenges Variable | | χ^2 Value | Overall χ^2 Value | P Value | Overall P Value | α | df | H ₀ Status | |
|---|----------|----------------|------------------------|---------|-----------------|----------|------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Benefits of AI (B.O.AI) | E.L. | 2.45 | 10.13 | 0.65 | 2.57 | 0.05 | 4 | H _{0.1} Accept | |
| | Sk. D. | 3.12 | | 0.54 | | | | | |
| | Ac. I. | 1.89 | | 0.76 | | | | | |
| | B. U. | 2.67 | | 0.62 | | | | | |
| Challenges Faced with AI Use (C.F.AI.U) | P | 3.21 | 27.00 | 0.52 | 1.39 | | 0.05 | 4 | H _{0.2} Accept |
| | E | 7.45 | | 0.11 | | | | | |
| | Acc. I. | 5.89 | | 0.21 | | | | | |
| | R. H. I. | 4.33 | | 0.36 | | | | | |
| | A. O. | 6.12 | | 0.19 | | | | | |

(Source: Primary Data Processed through SPSS)

8.5.1. Interpretation: The table 8 presents that Chi-Square result of benefits of AI use and challenges faced by students at Warangal Urban district of Telangana state. As per the table $\chi^2_{B.O.AI (4,144)} = 10.13, P=2.57 (P>\alpha)$ $\chi^2_{C.F.AI.U. (4,144)} = 27, P=1.39(P>\alpha)$

9. Findings

9.1. Demographic Analysis: Year-wise Distribution: The highest percentage of AI tool users were third-year students (40.29%), followed by second-year (31.94%) and first-year (27.77%).

9.2. Gender-wise Distribution: More girls (52.08%) used AI tools compared to boys (47.92%).

9.3. AI Tool Usage: ChatGPT was the most popular (42.36%), followed by Meta AI (29.17%), DeepSeek (11.80%), Gemini (9.03%), and other tools (7.64%).

9.4. Gender base of Use: Boys dominated in Meta AI (66.67%) and DeepSeek (70.59%). Whereas Girls preferred ChatGPT (59.01%).

9.5. Perceived Benefits of AI Tools: Skill Development (54.86%) and Better Understanding (56.25%) were the most strongly agreed benefits. Moreover, Enhancing Learning (39.58%) and Access to Information (31.25%) were also significant.

9.6. Challenges Faced While Using AI Tools: Privacy Concerns (36.81%) and Reduced Human Interaction (37.5%) were the most strongly agreed challenges, Ethical Issues (46.53%) and Accuracy of Information (42.36%) were also notable concerns.

10. Recommendations

10.1. Institutional Integration of AI: Universities and colleges should incorporate AI tools like ChatGPT and Meta AI into curricula to enhance learning and skill development. At the same time training programs should be conducted to help students use AI effectively.

10.2. Addressing Privacy and Ethical Concerns: Institutions should educate students on data privacy and ethical AI usage. In addition, AI tool developers should improve transparency regarding data usage.

10.3. Encouraging Balanced AI Use: Students should be guided to use AI as a supplement rather than a replacement for critical thinking and human interaction.

10.4. Gender-Specific AI Training: Since girls prefer ChatGPT and boys prefer Meta AI/DeepSeek, customized workshops can be designed based on gender preferences.

11. Conclusion

The study highlights that AI tools are widely used among students, with ChatGPT being the most popular. While AI offers significant benefits like skill development and better understanding, challenges such as privacy concerns and reduced human interaction persist. The Chi-Square test results indicate that demographic factors do not significantly influence perceived benefits or challenges. To maximize AI's potential, educational institutions should integrate AI responsibly while addressing ethical and privacy issues.

12. Further Research Scope

Longitudinal Studies: Track AI tool usage trends over multiple years to assess evolving perceptions.

Comparative Studies: Compare AI tool effectiveness across different academic disciplines.

Qualitative Analysis: Conduct interviews to explore deeper insights into ethical and privacy concerns.

AI and Academic Performance: Investigate the correlation between AI tool usage and academic results.

Cross-Cultural Studies: Examine AI adoption patterns in different educational systems globally.

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