

Course Outline

In its early days, gasoline was considered a fascinating, powerful, transformative—and potentially dangerous—new invention. It was only after the combustion engine had been fully developed that gasoline's volatility was harnessed into a safer and more useful innovation. Today, generative artificial intelligence (Gen AI)—a type of AI that creates text, images, and other content—is akin to gasoline in terms of the scope of its revolutionary impact, its potential dangers, and the rapid changes currently taking place attempting to harness it and make it more useful. If immigration lawyers are to properly acclimate to, and have a voice in influencing, these changes, we must be Gen AI literate. It is with this in mind that AILA has created the *AI in Immigration Law Live Online Course*.

Who Should Take this Course

This course is designed to bring both experienced and novice practitioners up to speed regarding the latest innovations and best practices in Gen Al. Attorneys and AlLA Affiliated Paralegals are encouraged to take the course to hear AlLA's expert instructors define what Gen Al is and discuss ways of responsibly using, adapting to, and utilizing this revolutionary technology to increase productivity.

What to Expect

The program consists of four discussion panels and two guided practice sessions, presented over six weeks. The August sessions introduce the nuts and bolts of Gen AI, addressing key concepts and terms used in the technology and how to incorporate Gen AI into your practice. The September sessions examine the protocols and safeguards required to use Gen AI productively and ethically. Each session includes guided practice with Gen AI tools.

- Four 90-minute webinars, including:
 - Lectures
 - Demonstrations and guided practice
 - Q&A
- Practical learning

- Two 60-minute study group sessions (optional): faculty-led demonstrations with handson learning
- o Independent practice: exercises designed to continue learning and build skills
- Access to recordings of webinars
- AILA Course Discussion Board
 - o Ask questions on Al-specific immigration issues
 - Connect with speakers and colleagues
 - Learn new Gen Al-usage techniques and receive valuable feedback

Week 1: Harnessing AI in Your Immigration Practice

Session 1

Wednesday, August 14, 2024

1:00 pm ET

How to Get Started: Understanding the Power and Potential of Gen AI

Discover why being fluent in Gen AI matters—almost as much as legal knowledge—for your practice. This session will explain what Gen AI is, why you need it in your practice, and what you can and should do right now to incorporate it into your business.

- Introduction to Gen AI and common terms
- Basic rules of engagement, responsible use of AI
- 20 things you can safely do with Gen AI in your practice today
- How to develop a Gen AI habit that saves you valuable time per day
 - Best practices for a quick start
- Introduction to prompt engineering
 - o How to ask the questions of your Gen AI that will yield reliable results

Session 2

Friday, August 16, 2024

1:00 pm ET

Implementing Gen AI in Business Strategies

In this session, you will learn how various Gen AI platforms can help you build a better practice. Instructors will focus on the practical issues that arise when using this technology, including clear prompt writing, the use of Gen AI assistants, and domain-specific applications.

- Using is learning with Gen AI: what various products can teach us
 - Copilot (inside your M365 and outside, on Edge browser)
 - ChatGPT
 - Google's Gemini

- Visalaw's Gen AI
- Prompt engineering: what it is and what it isn't
- Creating three-step prompts and fact pattern prompts
- Hone your writing skills: why the chief Gen AI architect and other experts believe English majors will rule the future of Gen AI
- Learning to recognize and resolve mistakes

Week 2: Independent Practice

August 19-23

Week 3: Guided Practice Session 1 (Optional)

Thursday, August 29

1:00 pm ET

A closer look at prompt engineering: honing your prompt writing skills

Week 4: Independent Practice

September 2 - 6

Week 5: Deploying Gen AI in Your Immigration Practice

Session 3

Wednesday, September 11, 2024

1:00 pm ET

How to Safely and Ethically Incorporate Gen AI into Your Business

Now that you know how to use Gen AI and have become aware of its potential value, it is time to create your implementation plan and develop user trainings. Lawyers must consider special issues to ensure Gen AI is used safely and ethically by their staff. Protocols and training are discussed, and practical day-to-day challenges that may arise will be addressed.

- First steps to ethically integrate Gen AI into your workplace
 - The ethics rules that apply
 - Reading the "Terms of Use" statement and understanding your product's source material
 - o Reviewing your malpractice policy and adding notice to your fee agreement
 - Checking permissions and writing your Gen AI use policy
 - o Implementation in your firm: Integration, training, and supervision plan

Guided Practice Session 2 (Optional)

Friday, September 13, 2024

1:00 pm ET

Take a deep dive into MS Copilot and Visalaw's GEN

Week 6

Session 4

Thursday, September 19

1:00 pm ET

Review of the Current Landscape: Gen Al Products for Immigration

As the marketplace grows and matures, new products and services abound. In this session, instructors review some of the most current and useful Gen Al tools now available for your practice. Our experts will also explore some of the emerging trends within Gen Al to look for in the coming months and years.

The disruptive, explosive future: Is language more than words?

- An overview of the Gen AI products and services landscape: top picks for immigration lawyers
- Government use of Gen AI in immigration: Be prepared for the future!
- Customizing Gen AI to benefit your clients and satisfy firm needs
 - Getting your data in order
 - o RAG Technology, NIVIDIA's Workbench, and Blackwell
 - Creating your own ChatGPT
- Next Steps: Continuing your learning

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