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The increasing use of artificial intelligence (AI) tools in education has significantly transformed academic writing practices, especially among English as a Foreign Language (EFL) students. This study investigates students' perceptions of the ethical issues surrounding the use of AI tools such as ChatGPT, Grammarly, and QuillBot in writing assignments. The research was conducted at UIN Antasari Banjarmasin, using a qualitative method with interviews involving four students who had experience using AI in academic contexts. The findings indicate that students perceive AI tools as helpful in improving grammar, vocabulary, and writing structure. However, ethical concerns emerge related to dependency, originality, transparency, and academic honesty. To address these challenges, students adopt responsible strategies such as selective use, revising AI outputs, and verifying information. The study highlights the need for institutional guidelines and AI literacy to ensure the ethical integration of AI in academic writing.

## ***ABSTRAK***

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