

AI Implementation Checklist

Phase	Items
Phase 1: Define Scope and Objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Define the problem the AI system will solve. <input type="checkbox"/> Identify measurable objectives and key performance indicators (KPIs). <input type="checkbox"/> Stakeholder identification and alignment (e.g., business units, technical teams, legal, and compliance). <input type="checkbox"/> Determine success metrics and business outcomes. <input type="checkbox"/> Create governance framework for AI development and deployment. <input type="checkbox"/> Align with established ethical frameworks like the IEEE Ethics Guidelines for AI, EU AI Act requirements, and industry-specific regulations (e.g., HIPAA, GDPR, CCPA).
Phase 2: Data and Data Source Gathering	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Identify internal and external Data Sources. <input type="checkbox"/> Ethical Data Collection. Ensure data complies with legal frameworks (e.g., GDPR, CCPA). Ensure data is diverse and representative to avoid biases. <input type="checkbox"/> Data Preprocessing: Clean, and normalize the data. Remove sensitive or personally identifiable information. <input type="checkbox"/> Identify the Source of Truth. Validate the reliability and accuracy of data sources. <input type="checkbox"/> Address Security and Compliance. Implement encryption for data storage and transmission.
Phase 3: Model Selection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Evaluate various pre-trained models (e.g., GPT, BERT, T5) or custom architectures. <input type="checkbox"/> Develop criteria for Model selection. based on accuracy, performance, Scalability. computational requirements and cost. <input type="checkbox"/> Experimentation and Benchmarking - Run comparative tests across multiple models.

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Phase 4: Training the Model	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Define Training Methodology: Selection of supervised, unsupervised, or semi-supervised learning based on data availability. <input type="checkbox"/> Data Splitting - Divide data into training, validation, and testing sets. <input type="checkbox"/> Monitor metrics such as accuracy, precision, recall, and F1-score. validate against test datasets to ensure robustness. <input type="checkbox"/> Analyze model predictions for potential biases.
Phase 5: Development and Implementation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Develop Retrieval-Augmented Generation (RAG). <input type="checkbox"/> Integrate external knowledge bases or documents to improve factual accuracy. <input type="checkbox"/> Perform Prompt Engineering. Iteratively test prompts for accuracy, clarity, and alignment with objectives. <input type="checkbox"/> Error Analysis and Correction. Identify and address hallucinations or false outputs. <input type="checkbox"/> Introduce safeguards to detect and mitigate inaccuracies.
Phase 6: Deployment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Select the Venue of Execution with consideration of scalability, cost, and data privacy requirements. <input type="checkbox"/> Test in Staging Environment. Conduct A/B testing to compare the performance of the new model with existing systems. <input type="checkbox"/> Implement feedback collection mechanisms to gather user feedback and identify areas for improvement. <input type="checkbox"/> Establish monitoring systems and incident response protocols. <input type="checkbox"/> Set up logging and auditing systems to track model interactions, user activity, and compliance. <input type="checkbox"/> Deploy to Production and establish CI/CD pipelines for smooth updates.

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Phase 7: Post-Deployment Monitoring and Maintenance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Monitor for Drift and Errors. Continuously evaluate model predictions against benchmarks. <input type="checkbox"/> Update Models and Prompts. Regularly evaluate new models or techniques that offer better performance. <input type="checkbox"/> Security Audits and Conduct periodic compliance checks to align with new regulations. <input type="checkbox"/> Implement change management and define update procedures. <input type="checkbox"/> Continual gathering of user feedback.
Phase 8: Iterative Improvements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Conduct Regular Evaluations. Ensure performance aligns with evolving objectives. <input type="checkbox"/> Incorporation of New Features. <input type="checkbox"/> Expand Data Sources. Continuously explore and integrate new data sources to enrich the system.
Phase 9: Governance and Documentation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Development of Governance Framework (Data privacy protection measures, Data retention policies and Access control protocols. <input type="checkbox"/> Create comprehensive documentation of Model specifications of model training procedures, Deployment configurations, Usage guidelines. <input type="checkbox"/> Create user education materials. <input type="checkbox"/> Develop transparency reports (model performance, bias assessments, environmental impact, and ethical considerations).



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