The CFD Monthly

Workshops, Events, Resources, and More

Starting the AI Conversation

Panelists (left to right): Melanie Leuty (moderator), Michelle McLeese, Zach Taylor, Aleise McGowan, Mya Rome, and Jason McCormick

Approximately 80 faculty, staff, and students gathered virtually and in person to hear how faculty from our own community are responding to the interest and growth of AI in academia. This conversation gave the audience a multi-disciplinary glimpse into how AI is being integrated into courses, research tasks, and administrative tasks. The panelists shared valuable insights on guiding students' understanding and appropriate use of AI within their respective courses and disciplines. Their discussion also touched upon the ethical and socioeconomic concerns regarding the use of AI in higher education and how they, as faculty, can proactively prepare students to engage with these issues. Join the dialogue through the upcoming AI Conversations panels and presentations (noted below).

Also, we are excited to share that a new **Artificial Intelligence website** is now available. Find guidelines, training and teaching resources, and related events.

Artificial Intelligence in Higher Education: Balancing Innovation and Human Values

- Guest Speaker: Mustafa Akben from Elon University
- Date: Wednesday, February 5, 2025
- Time: 12:00 - 1:30 PM
- Location: Virtual: Zoom

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Balancing Innovation and Regulation: AI Policies and Guidelines at USM

- Date: Tuesday, February 25, 2025
- Time: 2:30 - 3:45 PM
- Location: Hybrid Session | In-person: IC 101 |Zoom

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To obtain more information or to register for any of these sessions, please visit theCFD website.

Presented by AI Conversations with the AI Taskforce, the Office of the Provost, and CFD.

Upcoming Events

Program Coordinator Workshop: Developing Action Plans and Measures
Friday, February 21, 2025
9:30 -10:30 a.m.
Elizabeth Harkins Hall, room 120
REGISTER

Fostering Well-being & Cultivating Ethical Behavior
February 25, 2025
12-1:30 pm | CFD

Graduate Mentorship Lunch and Learn Workshop
March 18, 2025
12 - 2 pm | Peck House

Unsure if a student's writing may have used artificial intelligence? While AI detection methods are prone to their own errors and biases, Dr. James Thomas, Academic Integrity Director, discusses some signs that AI may have been used and different tools to get more information, amid these limitations in this month's AI in Action video.

Tiny Teaching Tip

It's almost time for the first round of major assessments in your spring courses. Reduce students' confusion about meeting your expectations by increasing the clarity of your assignment instructions so students can focus on mastery of the material and not on deciphering your assignment. See more details in the video below or learn about creating

transparent assessments at **www.tilthighered.com**.