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*Special Meeting of LA&PS
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CREATIVE USES OF AI
IN
CLASSROOMS
FOR
INSTRUCTORS

February 5th, 2025

11:30am-2:00 pm

Online

No Registration Required

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*Moderated by:
Vice Chair
Dr. Mehraneh
Ebrahimi*

SPEAKERS



PATRICK THIBAUDEAU *Director, IT Innovation & Academic Technologies*

***UIT's upcoming syllabus bot, AI tutors, and more.
What are the latest AI related infrastructure and eclass
programming for instructors?***

Patrick leads IT Innovation and Academic Technologies, focusing on advancing York University's emerging technology strategy and AI capabilities. He oversees the development of the custom AI platform, YU AURA, and manages web services, business management, and e-commerce applications.



ANDREW MCCONNELL *Course Director, Winters College*

***How to use AI to set up syllabi?
Course assignment planning (from idea to rubric)
Assist with grading (building a prompt to clean up comments)***

Andrew McConnell, a member of Nipissing First Nation, has nearly 20 years of experience in education, blending technology with Indigenous teaching. He is seconded to the Faculty of Education from YRDSB, serves as Indigenous Advisor at Lassonde's k2i Academy, and is a PhD student in digital media at Lassonde Engineering. Andrew aims to transform STEM education for Indigenous youth by integrating traditional knowledge and community wisdom, preserving local languages and land histories while fostering a deeper connection to the world.



DR. MANAR JAMMAL *Associate Professor, School of Information Technology*

Leveraging Responsible and Ethical AI in Education

Manar Jammal is an Associate Professor and Area Coordinator at York University's School of IT. She holds a Ph.D. in Distributed Systems from Western University and has worked with Ericsson on cloud application inventions. Her research focuses on AI governance, machine learning, 5G, IoT, smart cities, and cloud computing. Dr. Jammal is a Review Editor for Frontiers in Communications and Networks and a former Chair of IEEE Canada Women in Engineering. Her work includes AI, data analytics, smart cities, and high-availability systems.



DR. ROBIN SUTHERLAND-HARRIS *Educational Developer, Teaching Commons*

Resources for Faculty for best practices with AI through Teaching Commons

Robin Sutherland-Harris, PhD, is an educational developer at York University's Teaching Commons, specializing in generative AI, eLearning, and academic integrity. She also supports LA&PS's humanities departments, leveraging her background in medieval history.



DR. ANGELA CLARK *Academic Integrity Specialist YorkU*

Generative AI and Academic Integrity: Supporting Responsible Use

Angela Clark is the Academic Integrity Specialist at York University and Vice Chair of ICAI Canada. With experience as an ESL and communications instructor, she has focused on promoting academic integrity. Angela holds a master's in Applied Linguistics from York University and is a PhD candidate at OISE, researching academic integrity in Canadian institutions.