



2024 'AI in the Liberal Arts' Undergraduate Conference Exploring the Intersection of AI in the Arts, Humanities, and Beyond

Conference Details

Date: Saturday, April 20th, 2024

Location: Aliko Perrotti and Seth Frank Lyceum, Amherst College

Format: This is an in-person conference located in Amherst, MA

The 2024 AI in the Liberal Arts (AILA) Undergraduate Conference promises to be more than just a conference; it's a convergence of curious minds eager to explore the under-researched aspects of AI that are currently shaping and reconfiguring our world. Whether you're considering the impact or function of AI in your academic discipline for the first time or are well on your way to becoming an expert, we are eager for your participation.

Call for Abstracts

Our call is broad and inclusive, welcoming interdisciplinary AI projects of all kinds, especially those that approach bold questions about AI's relevance to fields traditionally not associated with computer science. Whether your experience in independent research stems from a class project, an independent paper, or a thesis project, we invite your participation. We are particularly interested in projects that are innovative, nearing completion, and challenge the status quo of ideas about applying AI.

Suggested topics might include (but are not limited to): Ethical considerations of AI, AI Alignment, Innovative uses of AI in the Biological Sciences, AI and Issues of Intellectual Property and Authorship, Privacy and Security Issues relating to AI, Artificial Consciousness, Social or cultural considerations of AI, etc.

Submission Guidelines

- We require a 250-word abstract detailing your core research question, methodology, findings, and significance.
- While full papers are not mandatory for submission, we have a preference for projects that are further along in their research journey. Feel free to submit any materials you may have
- Email your abstracts to aila@amherst.edu by Monday, March 25.
- Submission and participation in the conference is free!

Important Dates

- Abstract Submission Deadline: Monday, March 25th
- Notification of Acceptance: Wednesday, April 6th
- Conference Date: Saturday, April 20th

2024 Conference Highlights

- Plenary sessions featuring student research that pushes the boundaries of AI.
- Career workshops to navigate the evolving landscape of AI and its myriad opportunities.
- Poster sessions for accepted students to share their research and gain feedback
- Roundtable discussions to foster dialogue on the interdisciplinary impacts of AI.

Keynote Speaker

We are honored to announce Lee Spector, a distinguished member of the Amherst College faculty, as our keynote speaker. Professor Spector is renowned for his groundbreaking work in the fields of artificial intelligence and is the force behind Amherst College's AI in the Liberal Arts initiative. His research focuses on advancing the understanding and application of AI through innovative approaches, often bridging the gap between computational science and other academic domains. A passionate educator and a visionary in his field, Professor Spector embodies the spirit of interdisciplinary exploration that the 2024 AI in the Liberal Arts Undergraduate Conference aims to promote.

Contact Us

For any inquiries or further information, please feel free to reach out to our organizing committee at aila@amherst.edu.