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Build Your Skills in Digital Accessibility

Digital accessibility is essential for higher education organizations due to its profound impact on ensuring equitable access to educational resources for all students, regardless of their abilities or disabilities. By implementing accessible digital content, such as course materials, websites, and online platforms, universities remove barriers to learning and foster an inclusive academic environment. SUNY CPD is committed to fostering the skills and capabilities necessary for our faculty and staff to prioritize the creation inclusive learning experiences for all.

SUNY has an agreement with Deque Systems Inc. to provide accessibility training across all SUNY campuses at no cost. All SUNY faculty and staff can sign up now for self-guided online digital accessibility training. Courses are available in: Web Accessibility, Document Accessibility, Native Mobile Apps, Customer Service for People with Disabilities.

To learn more about Deque University and to request to be enrolled, please visit the [Deque University at SUNY Website.](#)

- Lisa Raposo, Director

SUNY Online Summit

It's not too late to register for the SUNY Online Summit.

When: February 28th & February 29th

Location: SUNY Global Center, NYC *or virtual*



Interested in online teaching and learning? The SUNY Online Summit is for online faculty, instructional designers, student support professionals, and administration/leadership. Anyone, including Friends of SUNY, are welcome! 2024 will be the 25th Anniversary of the SUNY Online Summit and the 30th Anniversary of Online Learning at SUNY! Join us for Summit celebrations and networking in person and virtually.

[Learn More](#)



SUNY Undergraduate Research Conference

Registration and abstract submission for the SUNY Undergraduate Research Conference (SURC) is now open! SURC brings together undergraduate student researchers and faculty mentors from across the SUNY system for activities, including sessions devoted to student presentations - oral, performance, artistic displays, and posters.

University at Buffalo - Monday April 15, 2024

Suffolk County Community College - Friday, April 26, 2024

[Learn More](#)

GradCon 2024 - Proposal Deadline Extended

Deadline to submit proposals for the SUNY Graduate Research Conference is extended. **New Deadline: March 31st.**

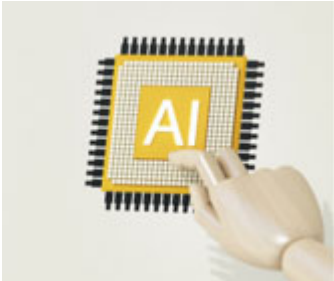
The SUNY Graduate Research Conference (GradCon) is a virtual multidisciplinary spring semester event. It brings together graduate student researchers and faculty mentors from across the SUNY system by providing a forum to disseminate research and scholarly activities in the form of



oral and poster presentations in ALL academic disciplines to demonstrate Research for the Common Good in Public Higher Education By bringing together students and faculty from across the state, GradCon provides a venue for networking and helps realize the synergistic power of the SUNY system.

The SUNY GradCon will take place virtually via Zoom on April 26, 2024. Registration opens March 1st, 2024.

[More Info](#)



Artificial Intelligence (AI) in Higher Education Two NEW Courses Available

The SUNY CPD launches two new courses to address the emergence and role of artificial intelligence (AI) in higher education. In these courses, staff and faculty learn how AI impacts teaching, learning, enrollment, retention, and student success. Participants will develop the competencies necessary to address AI in their roles as instructors, administrators, or staff members.

There are two online, interactive, 6 week, asynchronous courses offered through BrightSpace.

Course 1: Introduction to Artificial Intelligence (AI) for Higher Education - March 19 - April 29, 2024

Course 2: Using Artificial Intelligence (AI) Effectively in Teaching and Learning - May 14 - June 24, 2024

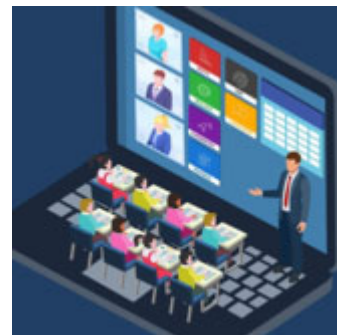
[Learn More](#)

SUNY Digital Learning Conference: Educating for Digital Citizenship

Registration is now open for the 2024 Digital Learning Conference.

When: April 18th-19th
Location: Online via Zoom

Students need distinctive skills to be effective, responsible, autonomous democratic citizens in a digitally mediated society: for example, the ability to distinguish information from misinformation and disinformation; to leverage online networks for purposes of advocacy and activism; to build public-facing websites that make data-informed arguments, preserve cultural heritage, or amplify marginalized voices; to be as secure as possible from governmental and



commercial surveillance; to distinguish AI hype from AI reality.

We invite faculty, technologists, librarians, teaching and learning support specialists, and students to a conversation about how we teach the arts of digital citizenship.

[Learn More](#)

Universal Design for Learning

Applying Universal Design for Learning Principles to Your Course

When: March 19 – April 22, 2024

Location: Online course (via Brightspace)

The course will introduce learners to the overall theory of UDL and will reflect on how to apply UDL to courses. Learn how to assess the unique needs faced by students, including at-risk and non-traditional students, and propose strategies to maximally meet students' needs. This course is designed for faculty, staff, graduate assistants/teaching assistants, and librarians who have teaching responsibilities or who plan to teach in the future.

This course is part of the Inclusive Teaching and Learning Certificate Program. Click the link below to learn more.

[Learn More](#)



Let us Know!

The SUNY Center for Professional Development is gauging interest in a training class:

Microsoft Certified: Power BI Data Analyst Associate

This course covers the various methods and best practices that are in line with business and technical requirements for modeling, visualizing, and analyzing data with Power BI. The course will show how to access and process data from a range of data sources including both relational and non-relational sources. This course will also discuss how to manage and deploy reports and dashboards for sharing and content distribution.

Interested? Let us know with the link below! We are asking for responses to the survey by Friday, March 8, 2024.

[Interest Survey](#)

Empowering Every Voice: Webinar Series

Join us for this **FREE** webinar series identifying strategies to serve the unique needs of our diverse student populations, including: First-Generation Students, Veterans and Military Affiliated Students, Adult Learners, Re-entry and Justice-Impacted Students, and LGBTQ+.



The series will run every other Friday from Noon-1:00 pm, through April 19th.

Understand and Support the Adult Learner

March 8, 2024 12:00pm-1:00pm

This session will address the distinctive challenges faced by adult learners and discuss strategies for engaging and supporting this demographic.

Register for one or all of the webinars by clicking Learn More below. Sessions will be recorded and sent out to series registrants.

[Learn More](#)



The Essentials Mindful Leader Experience

Earn a digital badge while focusing on supporting your wellbeing and mindfulness to improve your personal and professional life!

When: June 3 - July 22, 2024

Location: Online course (via Brightspace)

This 6 week, asynchronous, online course covers: navigating stresses and systemic struggles, increasing awareness and self-care, cultivating spaciousness and freedom, recovery from and preventing burnout, and improving wellbeing.

Learners will be introduced to concepts, techniques of meditation and, also the opportunity to practice meditation on a daily basis. Interwoven with meditation will be understanding the importance of self-caring, loving-kindness, compassion and body based awareness.

[Learn More](#)



Enterprise Skills Initiative

NEW - AI Learning Pathways

Microsoft has put together Learning Pathways on their new OpenAI/Generative AI capabilities to help you get up to speed on their latest AI technology. These pathways leverage Microsoft Learn content and are predecessor to taking more advanced AI courses such as AI-102, Azure AI Engineer.

Once you have built this foundational knowledge, you can find all our AI-related advanced courses and offerings in the ESI LxP by clicking here: [Enterprise Skills Initiative \(microsoft.com\)](#). Login with your SUNY federated email to access all the new content. Issues or questions, please Kris Lynch, Technical Program Manager at kris.lynch@suny.edu or 315-214-2428



Lumen Circles

Are you looking for new ways to enhance your teaching toolkit and improve student success?

We are excited to offer you the opportunity to explore evidence-based teaching practices and earn a certificate in Effective Teaching Practice – all at no cost through a partnership between Lumen Learning and SUNY.

Lumen Circles virtual learning community is designed to support your growth as an educator and provide you with the tools you need to create engaging and effective learning experiences for your students.

To sign up, click here and register with your SUNY email address

[Learn More](#)



SUNY Technology Conference
June 4th - June 6th, 2024

Registration is now open for the 2024 SUNY Technology Conference (STC).

The essence of the SUNY Technology Conference (STC) is Empowering Education Through Technology. STC is the premier technology event for technologists across SUNY where, day in, day out, we provide the systems, platforms, and spaces that allow our faculty and students to thrive.

[Learn More](#)

From Data to Decision: Transforming Education With Evidence-Based Strategies

June 11-12, 2024



In an era defined by information, our conference theme delves into the intersection of data and decision-making, emphasizing the pivotal role evidence-based strategies play in shaping the future of institutional research.

The theme of this year's **AIRPO Conference** invites participants to explore the transformative journey from raw data to informed decisions, providing a platform for sharing insights, best practices, and innovative approaches. This year's conference aims to showcase the impact of data-based strategies on student success, institutional effectiveness, and overall educational quality.

Don't forget! Conference Proposals are due **March 22nd**.

[Learn More](#)



[Project Management Fundamentals](#) - Mar. 29 - April 5th

[Advanced Project Management](#)- Mar. 6, 2024 - Mar, 13th

[Microsoft Intune Workshop](#) - Virtual - Feb. 22nd

[SUNY Business Intelligence Finance Data](#) - Feb. 7th

[SUNY Business Intelligence Advanced](#) - Feb. 14th

[Coaching Strategies in Higher Education](#) - May 17th

[Conference on Instruction and Technology \(CIT\)](#) - May 20-24th, University at Buffalo



WELCOME TO SUNY CPD

Courtnee Corcoran joins the SUNY Center for Professional Development as the *Manager of Community Engagement*, where she will lead the communication channels for SUNY CPD communities of practice.

Prior to her joining the CPD, Courtnee was an academic advisor for students at Onondaga Community College. She comes to us with a master's degree in Higher Education Administration from SUNY Stonybrook and a bachelor's in Communication from SUNY Fredonia.

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