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May 28, 2026

Registration at 8:30 AM

Vanier Hall (VNR) 1095

DTI Symposium



DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION & INNOVATION ASSOCIATION



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08:30 – 09:00	Registration	DTI Student Association
09:00 – 09:10	Opening Remarks Welcoming Address	DTI Student Association <i>Iliana Loupessis, VP</i>

Session 1: Digital Governance, Policy, & Ethics

09:10 – 9:25	"I Knew How to Report, But Didn't": Awareness, Helplessness, and Platform Distrust in CSAM Reporting Among University Students	Jaxen Anirban Dutta <i>Master's Student</i>
09:25 – 9:40	Semantic Harmonization for Meaning-Aware AI Governance in Public Administrations	Tatiana Orel <i>PhD Student</i>
09:40 – 9:55	When Defense Defines Peace: The Impact of Research Funding Priorities	Rabeeh Parhizkari <i>Master's Student</i>
09:55 – 10:10	Balancing AI Explainability and Strategic Secrecy: A Policy Framework for Responsible AI Governance in Armed Conflict	Ahmad Hayajneh <i>PhD Candidate</i>



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10:10 – 10:25 **Investigating Engagement with the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals in Historical AI Policy** **Acassia Arnaud**
Master's Student

10:25 – 10:45 **Break & Refreshments**

Session 2: AI Systems, Data & Innovation

10:45 – 11:00 **Generative Adversarial Regression (GAR): Learning Conditional Risk Scenarios** **Saeed Asadi**
PhD Candidate

11:00 – 11:15 **Autonomy and Asynchronicity in AI-Augmented Design: A Three-Arm Comparison of UX Workflow Paradigms for Early Stage Design Discovery** **Matthew Jarvis Wall**
Master's Student

11:15 – 11:30 **Oligopoly in AI Innovation: A Bibliometric Analysis of Corporate Patents and Publications** **Ata Izakshiri**
Master's Student

11:30 – 10:45 **Personalized Multi-Component Interventions in Behavioural Health** **Yi-Bo Alisson Wang**
PhD Student

11:45 – 12:00 **Towards Trustable Peer Support Systems for High-risk Occupational Groups: A Theory-Driven Approach** **Yasaman Gheidar**
PhD Candidate



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12:00 – 12:45 **Break & Lunch**

Session 3: Digital Transformation & Society

1:05 – 1:20 **Stakeholder Engagement in Digital Transformation Projects** **Tansie Hellen Lebene**
PhD Candidate

12:50 – 1:05 **Digital Transformation and Business Model Innovation in Sustainable Ventures** **Edwin Ferrer**
PhD Candidate

1:20 – 1:35 **Design Sovereignty and the Co-Creation of Digital Climate Tools in Indigenous Contexts** **Iliana Loupessis**
PhD Candidate

1:35 – 2:00 **Judge Deliberation**

2:00 – 2:30 **Awards & Closing Remarks** **DTI Student Association**
Iliana Loupessis, VP

Thank you to all presenters, faculty members, judges, volunteers, and attendees for contributing to the

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