Dear Colleagues,

Don't forget to submit your application for the recently launched Institute for Digital Innovation (IDIA)'s two signature programs for this year. Details below:

**IDIA Predoctoral Fellowship:**
Deadline: **May 06, 2024, 11:59 PM EST**
Office hours: **April 8, 2024, 10:00-11:00 AM, EST**
RSVP for the Q&A session [here](#).
More information [here](#).

**IDIA P3 Faculty Fellowship:**
Deadline: **April 8, 2024, 11:59 PM EST**
More information [here](#).

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**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Quantum for Climate & Sustainability Mini-Workshop**
The Mason Graduate Interdisciplinary Conference, co-hosted by the Graduate and Professional Student Association (GAPSA), Graduate Student Life, and the Graduate Division, highlights the research of Mason’s graduate students across disciplines. This one-day in-person event showcases Mason’s graduate students’ outstanding scholarly research and creative works through posters, oral presentations, creative performances, and visual arts that closely mirror professional academic conference practice.

Event date: April 5, 2024
Location: Merten Hall, Room 1201
Learn more and register here.

Break Through Tech - A Day in the Life: Tech Jobs Unveiled
A Day in the Life: Tech Jobs Unveiled

Get ready to gain exclusive insights from industry experts who will share their firsthand experiences and walk you through a day in their tech jobs. From software engineers to security analysts, our industry speakers will uncover the daily routines, challenges, and triumphs that shape their roles in the tech landscape.

VEERAJ MODI
Security Analyst
Microsoft

KYLIE M AMISON
Application Security Analyst
NowSecure

JAMIE BOWERS
Site Reliability Engineer
Microsoft

CASSIE ROTHRAUFF
Senior Computer Engineer
Booz Allen Hamilton

THURSDAY, MARCH 21ST
4:30 TO 6:00 PM
JOHNSON CENTER
3RD FLOOR, ROOM D

REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED

Misinformation and Disinformation Idea-thon
R Street Institute and George Mason University Present:

Misinformation and Disinformation Idea-thon

Help Solve a Major Societal Problem—Bring Your Ideas to Fight Misinformation and Disinformation

COMPETE FOR PRIZES!

Select a track or category:
Government, Business/Technology, Nonprofit, or Education

Form a team to come up with solutions and work products:
A business plan for a tech start-up, a mobile app, an academic course, a new nonprofit, or new legislation or regulations. Be creative!
We welcome innovation.

Software developers are needed, but no computer science skills are necessary to participate.

Transportation services available from GMU Fairfax campus. Metro accessible.

Bring your best ideas to solve the problem of misinformation and disinformation!

Register At
www.rstreet.org/events

Saturday, April 20, 2024

9:00AM-6:30PM ET

George Mason University (GMU)
Schar School of Policy and Government
3351 Fairfax Drive, Arlington, Virginia

VARIABLE OPPORTUNITIES

2024 International Conference on Neuromorphic Systems
ADAPT aims to bring together leading researchers in systems biology, bioinformatics, mathematical modeling, and oncology to address the challenge of treating ever-changing metastatic cancer. To meet this goal, the ADAPT program invites proposals to three technical areas. Technical area 1 focuses on therapy recommendation techniques, including multi-modal data fusion, resistant trait modeling, and development of biomarkers to predict drug response. Technical area 2 focuses on a new evolutionary clinical trial that treats patients during multiple therapy lines by discovering emergent resistant traits and therapy biomarkers developed in technical area 1. Technical area 3 unites researchers and clinicians through the creation of a cancer treatment and analysis platform to enable real-time data availability. The goal of the program is to accurately predict which patients will respond to which therapies, improving survival in people with metastatic cancers.

Proposal due: May 6, 2024

Learn more here.
ORAU’s ORAU-Directed Research and Development (ODRD) Program is a research and development program that supports collaborations between ORAU researchers and university faculty at ORAU member institutions. Led by ORAU subject matter experts and leveraging the talents and expertise of our member universities, ODRD projects strengthen and expand the scientific and technical capabilities of both parties. University faculty interested in collaborating with an ORAU researcher are requested to complete the brief form below. An ORAU researcher will review your submission, and if complementary interests align, will contact you to discuss potential collaboration. Submission of an interest statement does not guarantee collaboration or funding opportunities.

Responses due: March 31, 2024

Learn more here.

Congratulations to:

Nowzari, Cameron from the College of Engineering and Computing and Co-PIs Yao, Ningshi; Shishika, Daigo; McCue-Weil, Leigh S.; and Cummings, Mary L. for receiving the Office of Naval Research grant on The AVIARE at Eagle Bank Arena: Aerial Vehicle and Intelligent Autonomy Range for Experimentation.

*If a funding opportunity limits the number of applications the university can submit, it will be posted and managed through the Research Development Services office. Please contact limited@gmu.edu or Sheila Davis.

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**IDIA AFFILIATION**

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Did you know that, as an IDIA faculty affiliate, you are eligible to:

- Compete for [internally funded IDIA projects](#)
- Receive support for [IDIA-relevant events](#)
- Become part of the [dynamic multidisciplinary faculty network](#) focused on digital techniques and technologies to advance fields as diverse as finance, education, built infrastructure, science, economics, agriculture, health, transportation, entertainment, national security, and social justice.

There is no financial burden to you or your departments for affiliation with the institute. Participation in IDIA does not prevent its members from being associated with other university centers. If you are not already affiliated, we encourage you to submit your profile [here](#).

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**SHARE WITH US**

We are eager to hear from you! As we work with your colleges to compile updates on digital innovation-related research activities at Mason, we would love to hear about your research activities, awards, and recent publications. Please share any successes, concerns, or ideas with us at idia2@gmu.edu

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