

Ist Annual Virtual Fall National Conference on Creativity, Innovation, and Technology

# NCCIT Announcements

The **2023 National Conference on Creativity, Innovation, and Technology (NCCiT)** contains approximately 55 presenters from 13 different states, including, California, Illinois, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Maryland, Massachusetts, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Texas, Utah, and Virginia. There are also two international presenters from Belgium and India. The conference acceptance rate was approximately 78%. Papers ranged from business, DEI, and Education to IT, Cyber Security, Organizational Trends, Artificial Intelligence, Leadership, and Ethics.

NCCiT is committed to identifying and honoring distinguished contributions made by its members each year. NCCiT Co-Presidents select these awards. This year NCCiT is excited to honor five (5) members for their distinguished contributions to the conference. They are Jane Brooker, Tracey Hulen, Andrew Mangle, Heather Morgan, and Helen MacLennan. Congratulations! NCCiT is grateful for your distinguished contributions.

NCCiT Co-Presidents would like to thank all the Track Chairs for all their efforts, support, and contributions. We also like to especially recognize Michalina Hendon for her support via the Pillar of Support Award.

All paper awards and service contribution awards will be formally recognized in the closing ceremony at the end of the conference. Additionally, there will be three additional "Best Presentation" awards that will be given out to presenters who received high accolades regarding the delivery of their presentation and/or the information presented.

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NCCiT is committed to identifying and honoring quality scholarly submitted annually to the conference. Each full paper undergoes a double-blind peer review, and those papers submitted by the deadline are considered for the award. The top-ranked papers are forwarded to the Executive Conference Board for their recommendation.

### This year's Full Paper Awards go to the following Papers:

#### **Overall Best Paper Award:**

Large Language Models for Phishing and Spam Detection: A BERT Approach

#### Honorable Mention Awards:

Graduate Student Investigator: Best Practices for Human Research Protections within Online Graduate Research

Measuring Emotional Intelligence Influences on Organizational Citizenship Behavior: Examining Gender's Role of Transformational Leadership in Higher Education

#### Innovative Best Paper Award:

Leveraging DEI as a Defensive Strategy in Cyber Intelligence and Security

#### Graduate Student/Ph.D. Paper Award:

Attitudes, Trust and Intention to Adopt Artificial Intelligence: The Moderating Influence of Ethnicity

#### Honorable Mention Award:

Development of Conceptual Models to Enhance the Technology Threat Avoidance

### **Opening Keynote Speaker**

# Katherine O'Connor



### Lead Manager, Senior Data Capacity Analyst, and Security Architect for Microsoft



Katherine (Katie) O'Connor grew up in Pennsylvania and attended Indiana University of PA, receiving a BA in Criminology focusing on Pre-Law in 2013. Faculty at IUP was instrumental in her exposure to technology conferences in the Pittsburgh area at that time. She then graduated from Columbia Law School in 2016, with an interest in Women in Technology. She worked in different levels of Cloud Computing while living in Manhattan for eight years, moving from legal global issues with Cloud Computing to attaining a supervisory position, managing project teams building clouds. Her company was sold to Nintendo during the summer of 2020, and she moved to Google in the Fall of 2020. Since the summer of 2022, she has worked as a Lead Manager, Senior Data Capacity Analyst, and Security Architect for Microsoft. She has engaged in her career path remotely since March 2020. Over the last two years, Katie has gone to her high school to expose students to App and Website development.

### **Closing Keynote Speaker**

# Ken Williams

Ken Williams is a husband, father, nationally recognized trainer, speaker, coach, and consultant in leadership, instructional equity, and school culture. Ken has served as a classroom teacher. assistant principal, and school principal. He is the author of the award-winning book Ruthless Equity - Disrupt the Status-Quo and Ensure Learning for ALL Students. Through his company, Unfold The Soul, Ken is skilled in joining the why of the work to the how of the work. He is known for his powerful and engaging combination of "heart, humor, and hammer" and has a passion for helping leaders transform their campus from "THAT school" to "THEE school.



2023 IBPA Benjamin Franklin Silver Award Winner



#### WARNING:

While his style is inspirational and motivational, Ken is a status-quo disruptor, warm demander, and an unapologetic identifier of elephants in the room. His lens is firmly fixed on maximizing educator talent to ensure grade-level or better learning for every student.

When not working, Ken is often "running errands for no reason" in a 1975 Oldsmobile Delta 88 Royale convertible. He's an avid bowler, a lover of classic films, documentaries, and old-school R&B and hip-hop music.

Ken also derives joy from creating memories with family and close friends. Ken was born in Brooklyn, raised in Queens, and currently lives in Atlanta with his wife Nicole, son, Adam, daughter, Mia, and damn dog, Murphy.



# Day 1 -Wednesday November 15, 2023

### Official Welcome Address from the Co-President's @ 7:45am -8:00 am

Loreen Powell, Marywood University Ronda Mariani, Commonwealth University – Bloomsburg Campus

### **OPENING KEYNOTE SPEAKER SESSION - Room2 @ 8:00am-8:30am**

*Moderator & Session Chair:* Margaret O'Connor, Commonwealth University – Bloomsburg Campus

Katherine (Katie) O'Connor, Lead Manager, Senior Data Capacity Analyst and Security Architect for Microsoft

### Session 1: Room 1 @ 8:30am – 9:45am BUSINESS CAREER ISSUES

Session Chair: Helen MacLennan, Lindsey Wilson College

**Challenges Women Face While Balancing Professional and Maternal Jobs** Krista Troiani, Penn State University Tina S. Krolikowski, Carlow University

Investigation of Interpersonal Competencies in Early-Career Mutual Insurance Professionals Jane Brooker, Alvernia University

Nicholas King, Alvernia University Session 2: Room 1 @ 9:45am – 11:00pm

### Session 2: Room 1 @ 9:45am – 10:45am ETHICS IN BUSINESS & RESEARCH

Session Chair: Caroline Fitzpatrick, Alvernia University

**Ethical Marketing and the Effects on Consumer Behavior** Emily Dreyfus, Commonwealth University – Bloomsburg Campus

Data Ethics and Human Research Protections in the Evolving Spaces of Research with Ubiquitous Technologies Robin Throne, Western Governors University

## Day 1 -Wednesday November 15, 2023

#### Session 3: Room 1 @ 11:00 am – 11:30 am PROCEEDING INFORMATION

Loreen Powell, Marywood University Ronda Mariani, Commonwealth University – Bloomsburg Campus

### LUNCH BREAK 11:30AM - 12:30 PM

Session 4: Room 1 @12:30pm – 2:15pm INNOVATIVE TEACHING HIGHER EDUCATION

Session Chair: Emily Dreyfus, Commonwealth University – Bloomsburg Campus

#### Building Open Educational Practices (OEPs) and Open Educational Resources (OERs) for Social Justice & Equity in Higher Education Caroline Fitzpatrick, Alvernia University

**Beyond Conventional: Pioneering AI-Driven Assessments in Higher Education** Melanie Wiscount, University of Illinois -Gies College of Business

### Attitudes, Trust and Intention to Adopt Artificial Intelligence: The Moderating Influence of Ethnicity

Ahmed Lee, Saint Leo University Helen MacLennan, Lindsey Wilson College Dale Mancini, Saint Leo University

### Session 5: Room 1 @ 2:25pm – 3:35pm INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Session Chair: Ahmed Lee, Saint Leo University

**The Need for Remote Access Connectivity with ERPs** Jae Hoon Choi, North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University

**Data Governance Dilemmas: Healthcare in the Analytics Era** Yucheng Chen, Commonwealth University, Bloomsburg Campus Gwendolyn Powell, North Pocono School District

### DINNER BREAK 3:35PM - 5:15PM

## Day 1 -Wednesday November 15, 2023

### Session 6: Room 1 @ 5:15pm – 6:30pm DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION

Session Chair: Lawrence C. Kilgus, Northern Tioga School District

Every Student Deserves a Gifted Education - 5 Shifts to Nurture Each Student's Unique Strengths, Passions, and Talents Brian Butler, The Answer's In The Room Educational Consulting, BKB, LLC

### Establishing High Quality Authentic Social Emotional Learning (SEL) within the Elementary Setting: Supporting the Needs of All Learners

Tracey Hulen, T.H. Educational Solutions Ann Bailey Lipsett, Lipsett Learning Connection

### Session 7: Room 2 @ 6:30pm –8:00pm INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY & SECURITY

Session Chair: Riem Abdelazim, Marywood University

**Leveraging DEI as a Defensive Strategy in Cyber Intelligence and Security** Helen MacLennan, Lindsey Wilson College

### Large Language Models for Phishing and Spam Email Detection: A BERT Approach

Oluwatomisin Arokodare, Georgia Southern University Hayden Wimmer, Georgia Southern University

### Noopolitik and Prospects of Care in the Security Philosophy of David Ronfeldt (RAND)

Robert Drury King, Centre Leo Apostel, Free University of Brussels

### Post Quantum Cryptography Readiness: A Framework and Review of Public Laws and Literature

Loreen Powell, Marywood University

### Day 2 Welcome Reception-9:00 am - 9:15 am

Loreen Powell, Marywood University Ronda Mariani, Commonwealth University – Bloomsburg Campus

### Session 8: Room 1 @ 9:15 am – 9:45am RESEARCH ETHICS

Session Chair: Melanie Wiscount, University of Illinois -Gies College of Business

### Current Trends in Best Practices for Human Research Protections within Online Graduate Research

Robin Throne, Western Governors University Michalina Hendon, University of Cumberlands

### Session 9: Room 1 @ 9:45am – 11:30am INNOVATIVE TEACHING & TECHNOLOGIES

Session Chair: Lijuan Sun, Commonwealth University – Bloomsburg University

Embracing Innovation in Marketing Education: Transforming Pedagogy in a Dynamic Landscape

Heather Morgan, Kennesaw State University

**Tools of the Future: Generative Artificial Intelligence in Classroom Pedagogy** Ronda Mariani, Commonwealth University – Bloomsburg Campus

Innovative Techniques in Online Learning: A Deep Dive into Yellowdig's Gamified Community Platform Melanie Wiscount, University of Illinois -Gies College of Business

LUNCH BREAK 11:30AM - 12:00PM

### Session 10: Room 1 @ 12:00pm – 1:00pm CYBER SECURITY AND SYSTEM RESILIENCY

Session Chair: Karina Fernandez, Florida International University

**Zero-Knowledge Proofs: Foundations, Real-World Applications, and Use Cases** Andrew Mangle, Bowie State University

Development of Conceptual Models to Enhance the Technology Threat Avoidance Theory (TTAT) Framework Jeffrey Nickle, University of Cumberlands

Michalina Hendon, University of Cumberlands

### Session 11: Room 1 @ 1:00pm – 2:30pm ORGANIZATIONAL BEHAVIOR AND HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

Session Chair: Robin Throne, Western Governors University

Measuring Emotional Intelligence Influences on Organizational Citizenship Behavior: Examining Gender's Role of Transformational Leadership in Higher Education

Karina Fernandez, Florida International University

**Importance of Leadership's to Understand Digital Accessibility in the Workplace** Kyle Fromert, Accenture Federal Services

**Virtual Community Citizenship Behavior: A Social Relational Perspective** Tung (Francis) Cu, North Eastern Illinois University

### Session 12: Room 1 @2:30pm – 3:30pm INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Session Chair: Tung (Francis) Cu, North Eastern Illinois University

### Exploratory Analysis of Correlation between Personality Traits and the Success of Computing Major Transfer Students

Sherrene Bogle, California State Polytechnic University Shebuti Rayana, The State University of New York (SUNY) at Old Westbury Palvi Aggrawal, University of Texas at El Paso Claire McDonald, University of Texas at El Paso Xiwei Wang, North Eastern Illinois University Yun Wan, University of Houston Kay Vargas, California State Polytechnic University Victor Diaz, California State Polytechnic University

### Understanding Human-Machine Teaming for Autonomous Technology

Jiyoon An, Fayetteville State University

### DINNER BREAK 3:30PM - 4:00PM

### Session 13: Room 1 @ 4:00pm – 6:00pm IT IN EDUCATION & CREATIVE LESSONS

Session Chair: Loreen Powell, Marywood University

### How will generative AI policies intersect with academic freedom and what are the implications for higher education stakeholders?

Christopher "Allan" Hubbard, Lindsey Wilson College - School of Graduate Business and Technology

Dr. Steve Hallman, Lindsey Wilson College - School of Graduate Business and Technology

### The Dynamic Transformations of the K-12 Education

Daniel Powell, North Pocono School District

**Positive Use of Smartphones in the Secondary Classroom** Lawrence C. Kilgus, Northern Tioga School District

What to Expect in The Day to Day Role of a Rural K-12 Superintendent in 2023: Potential Challenges and Responsibilities

Daniel Powell, North Pocono School District

### Session 14: Room 1 @ 6:00pm – 7:00pm CLOSING KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Moderator & Session Chair: Tracey Hulen, T.H. Educational Solutions

Kenneth Williams, Author of Ruthless Equity

### Session 15: Room 1 @ 7:00pm – 7:30pm CLOSING REMARKS & AWARDS

**Full Paper Awards:** Best Paper Award & Honorable Mention Awards, Innovative Paper Award & Honorable Mention Award, Best Graduate Student/Ph.D. Paper Award & Honorable Mention Award.

**Best Presentation Awards:** Three (3) awards to be announced regarding the best delivery and information at the conference. Distinguished Service & Support Awards



Thank you for joining us! See you next year! www.nccitconnect.com