

RIT Division of Academic Affairs **Eugene H. Fram Chair in Applied Critical Thinking**

Fram Focus volume 10:1 – August 2024 **Welcome Back & Fram Signature Events** In this issue:

Fram Signature Lecture

2024 Fram Signature Lecture: Is AI Nothing More than Machine Learning or Existential Threat? with Kerrie Holley. Tuesday, September 24th, from 3:30 – 5:00 p.m., Ingle Auditorium. A reception will follow in the Fireside Lounge, where light refreshments will be served. Join us for additional related events on September 23rd as well!

Co-sponsored

- I AM STEM Inclusive Accessibility Movement in STEM: Transformative Thinking for Action Symposium, Virtual Meeting, September 6, 2024, 9 – 12:15 pm, Cost: \$25
- Three Minute Thesis (3MT®) Competition RIT Graduate School, Finalists must be available to compete in person on Monday, November 4th, 2024.

Fram Finds

• TigerFest: FoodShare Open House, August 27th and 29th, 2024, 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

A Few Thoughts

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- Teaching science students how to think—for the first time
- How AI Is Changing The Teaching Profession Forever
- We need bold minds to challenge AI, not lazy prompt writers, bank CIO says
- 8 Helpful High-Income Skills That Are Safe From AI In 2024

FRAM SIGNATURE LECTURE

2024 Fram Signature Lecture: Critical Thinking in the Age of AI, featuring Kerrie Holley, Tuesday, September 24th, from 3:30 – 5:00 pm, Ingle Auditorium. Reception to follow in Fireside Lounge.

"Picture an AI that truly speaks your language — and not just your words and syntax. Imagine an AI that understands context, nuance, and even humor. This is no longer just a futuristic concept — it's the reality of ChatGPT." (Forbes, 2023). The excitement about AI since ChatGPT has been nothing short of amazing. Per Kerrie: While at Google and during my almost 50+ years working in tech, I have never seen so many CEOs from all industries so excited and eager to understand and leverage AI. The frenzy is real. The conversation continues in the Fireside Lounge during a post-lecture reception.

Light refreshments will be served. For more information and to register, click HERE.

Join us for additional Fram Signature-related events listed below:

Panel Discussion on Al in Higher Education, Sklarsky Theater, September 23rd, from 10 – 11 am. Explore the transformative impact of AI on modern educational practices with Fram Signature speaker Kerri Holley and RIT Faculty. For more information and to register, click HERE.

Al's impact on the future of work, Wallace Library, room 2410, September 23rd, from 2 to 3 pm. Join RIT Librarians and Kerrie Holley for a discussion on the impact AI may have on our careers. For more information and to register, click HERE.

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- I AM STEM Inclusive Accessibility Movement in STEM: Transformative Thinking for Action Symposium, Virtual Meeting, September 6, 2024, 9:00 am - 12:15 pm, Cost: \$25, The Critical & Creative Design Thinking Program of the University of South Florida, in collaboration with the Fram Chair in Applied Critical Thinking of Rochester Institute of Technology, is thrilled to announce the inaugural Inclusive Accessibility Movement in STEM (I AM STEM): Transformative Thinking for Action Symposium. This series of gatherings will promote and embed a network aimed at designing, improving, and sharing best practices for Transformative thinking in action for STEM inclusion. For more information, please click HERE.
- Three Minute Thesis (3MT®) Competition RIT Graduate School, Finalists must be available to • compete in person on Monday, November 4th, 2024. The Three Minute Thesis (3MT®) was originally developed by the University of Queensland (UQ), Australia. The goals of the competition are to (1) highlight the excellent research conducted by graduate students and (2) challenge students to develop communication skills to explain their complex and technical research in language appropriate to a nonspecialist audience. 3MT Competitions are currently held in over 900 universities across more than 85 countries worldwide. For more information, please click HERE.

FRAM FINDS

TigerFest: FoodShare Open House, August 27th, 3 – 5 pm Location: Frisina Quad, August 29th, 3 – 5 • pm Location: 113 Riverknoll. RIT FoodShare will be hosting two open houses during TigerFest! Come visit our locations at Ellingson and Riverknoll to learn more about our services and meet our staff team. There will be free swag and light refreshments available. For more information, click HERE.

A FEW THOUGHTS

In this issue, meet:

Neeraj Buch, Dean of Undergraduate Studies and Associate Provost for Student Success, Office of • the Provost and Senior VP for Academic Affairs, Academic Affairs. Read about his thoughts related to the impacts of Artificial Intelligence HERE.

FROM GENE FRAM

- "Teaching science students how to think-for the first time," by Adam Ruben, Science, July 2, 2024 •
- "How AI Is Changing The Teaching Profession Forever," by Lisa Chau, Forbes, Updated July 1, 2024 "We need bold minds to challenge AI, not lazy prompt writers, bank CIO says," by Joe McKendrick, ٠
- ZDNET, June 27, 2024
- <u>"8 Helpful High-Income Skills That Are Safe From AI In 2024,"</u> by Goldie Chan, Forbes, June 2, 2024 •

