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- Three Minute Thesis (3MT®) Competition Finals: Monday, November 4, 2024, 5:00 7:00 pm. Room/Location: Wegmans Theater, MAGIC Center. Attend the 3MT, Three Minute Thesis Competition, and Watch RIT Doctoral Students Compete by Explaining Their Research in Just 3 Minutes! 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 non-specialist audience. 3MT Competitions are currently held in over 900 universities across more than 85 countries worldwide. For more information and to register, please click HERE.
- 2024 Global Humanities Conference Prep Workshop: Fifth Annual RIT Undergraduate Global Humanities Virtual Conference. Theme: Conflict, Resilience, and Resolution: Transformative Humanity. Monday, November 18, 2024, 9:15 - 10:15 am EST. The 2025 Global Humanities Conference is an opportunity for students from every RIT campus to share a project related to our theme. Interested in working with other RIT students from across the world but not sure where to start? Come to this workshop to learn more and get ready to roll and make connections! The GH conference helps you learn about global issues and build skills to make an impact! This one-hour workshop will focus on:

Critical Thinking for Conflict, Recovery & Resilience, Critical Thinking across Difference: Creating a Team Project & Driving Success. For more information and to register for this virtual event, click <u>HERE</u>.

## **FRAM FINDS**

- Veterans Day Breakfast: November 8, 2024, 8:00 10:00 am. Location: RIT Gordon Fieldhouse. Held on or before Veterans Day each November, it is free and open to the entire community. It is our "salute" to veterans and their families, our way of saying thank you for your service, thank you for your sacrifice. For more information and to register, click HERE.
- Cog Sci Speaker Series: Every task is a learning task (and should be treated as such). Prof. C. Shawn Green. November 8, 2024, 12:00 – 1:00 pm. Location: GOS-2365. Humans' thoughts and behaviors are embedded in an ever-changing world, and effectively engaging with that world involves constant adaptation and learning of new information and skills. In this talk, Professor C. Shawn Green will first describe their general approach for this type of modeling and then highlight some of the key benefits both in terms of describing the behaviors themselves (i.e., that continuous approaches better capture how participants are actually behaving) and in terms of the inferences that can be drawn in three unique contexts. For more information, click <u>HERE</u>.

## **A FEW THOUGHTS**

#### In this issue, meet:

• **Mark Ferguson,** Instructional Designer, RIT Certified, Academic Affairs. Read his thoughts related to the impacts of Artificial Intelligence <u>HERE.</u>

#### FROM GENE FRAM

- <u>*"Promises and challenges of generative artificial intelligence for human learning"*</u> by Lixiang Yan, Samuel Greiff, Ziwen Teuber, and Dragan Gasevic, nature human behavior, October 22, 2024.
- <u>"Mastering the art of decision-making</u>" by Johannes Eng, The HRDIRECTOR, October 7, 2024.
- <u>"Debate Could Counter AI's Impact on Critical Thinking"</u> by Clara Turnage, Neuroscience News, September 27, 2024.
- <u>"Al in schools: Let's not rush to judgment"</u> by Doug Lynch and Elizabeth Graswich, EdSource, July 29, 2024.