



## **2024 NRT+ Summit at RIT**

Monday, September 23 - Wednesday, September 25, 2024

### **Day 1 - Monday, September 23 - GOL/CYB 1710-1730**

8:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.

Registration and networking breakfast

9:00 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.

Welcome by RIT Provost Prabu David and AWARE-AI PI Alm

- Introductions of the partner universities' NRT programs and teams by NRT PIs Alm, Mears, Mutlu, and Shearer
- Review of the agenda and announcements by Alm

9:45 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Session I - Theme: Sensing and display technology  
Co-chairs: Reynold Bailey (RIT), Yuhang Zhao (UWM)

- 10 min presentations by each partner university
- Q&A and discussion
- Breakouts, followed by reporting back

11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Lunch with continued discussion,  
Optional: 12:00-1:00 p.m. [plenary talk](#) organized by the Center for Human-aware AI in CYB 1710-1720

1:05 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Campus walk with tour to select labs and facilities

2:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Session II - Breakout sessions for trainees and faculty

- 1710: Trainee panel on internships  
Co-chairs: Emily Kuang (RIT), Michael Peechatt (RIT)  
Panelists: Joshua Murray (Clemson), Mahanthesh Ramchandra (CSU), Mya Schroder (UWM)
- 1720: Faculty discussion on institutionalization efforts

2:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Coffee networking break

3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Session III - Theme: Assistive technology  
Co-chairs: Eric Schearer (CSU), Jamison Heard (RIT)

- 10 min presentations by each partner university
- Q&A and discussion
- Breakouts, followed by reporting back

5:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Session IV - Breakout sessions for trainees

- 1710: Grant-writing roundtable panel  
Moderator: Reynold Bailey (RIT)  
Panelists: Bing Yan (RIT), Eric Schearer (CSU), Esa Rantanen (RIT)
- 1720: Career-advancement strategies  
Moderator: Matthew Krugh (Clemson)  
Panelists: Apostolos Kalatzis (CSU), Bilge Mutlu (UWM), Ferat Sahin (RIT)

5:45 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.

Dinner reception at SHED 1300, served by Dinosaur BBQ  
Remarks by RIT Graduate School Dean Diane Slusarski


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**Day 2 - Tuesday, September 24 - GOL/CYB 1710-1730**
[8:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.](#)

Networking breakfast

[9:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.](#)

 Session V - Virtual roundtable with international partners  
 Moderator: Cissi Alm (RIT)

[9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.](#)

 Session VI - Theme: Human-machine teaming  
 Co-chairs: Bilge Mutlu (UWM), Matthew Krugh (Clemson)

- 10 min presentations by each partner university
- Q&A and discussion
- Breakouts, followed by reporting back

[11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.](#)

Session VII - Faculty and trainees meet with NSF Program Officer Dr. Kathleen Ehm from the NSF NRT team

- Graduate and early-career funding opportunities at NSF
- NSF joint funding opportunities among NRT+ partners

[12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.](#)

Lunch and continued conversation with Kathleen Ehm (NSF)

[1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.](#)

Session VIII - Poster presentations and coffee in the Golisano Atrium

[3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.](#)

 Session IX - Theme: Human-centered design  
 Co-chairs: Vinita Jansari (Clemson), Kelle DeBoth Foust (CSU)

- 10 min presentations by each partner university
- Q&A and discussion
- Breakouts, followed by reporting back

[5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.](#)

Session X - Trainee groups present proposals with mock critique by faculty and proposal award voting

- 8 min presentations by the trainee teams from partners
- 6 min Q&A
- Concluding discussion and proposal award voting

[6:15 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.](#)

 Dinner reception at the [Lobozzo Alumni House](#)  
 232 Andrews Memorial Drive, Rochester, NY 14623  
 Remarks by RIT VP and Associate Provost Keith Jenkins



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**Day 3 - Wednesday, September 25 - Daniel D. Tesson Center (LOW-1225)**
[8:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.](#)

Networking breakfast

[9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.](#)

 Session XI - Virtual roundtable with industry/national lab partners  
 Moderators: Zhenhua Zhu (UWM), Ferat Sahin (RIT)

[10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.](#)

 Session XII - Theme: Social impact  
 Moderator: Nick Zingale (CSU), Garreth Tigwell (RIT)

- Guided trainee and faculty discussion
- Reflection on links to other themes

[11:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.](#)

 Session XIII - Wrap-up discussion on next steps  
 Moderator: Cecilia Alm (RIT), Laine Mears (Clemson)

- Announcement of poster and proposal awards
- Announcement about the Clemson NRT+ Summit

[11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.](#)

Closing lunch and departure



Niagara Falls



George Eastman Museum

**Optional afternoon sightseeing on your own:**

- [Niagara Falls State Park](#)- [Maid of the Mist](#) and [Cave of the Winds](#) experiences (around 80 min drive)
- [National Susan B. Anthony Museum and House](#)
- [Mount Hope Cemetery](#) (resting place of Frederick Douglass and Susan B. Anthony)
- [Highland Park](#)
- [The Strong National Museum of Play](#)
- [George Eastman Museum](#) (Kodak)
- [Seneca Park Zoo](#)
- [Canandaigua and the Finger Lakes, a region with vineyards, parks, and lakes](#)
- [Ganondagan Seneca Art and Cultural Center](#)
- [Letchworth State Park](#) (around 40 min drive to the park entrance)