

# 2024 Midwest Ethics Symposium: Ethics and AI

April 16

- 4:30 - 5:30 **Registration**  
5:30 - 7:00 **Conference Dinner**  
7:00 - 8:30 **Keynote: Jon Gertner**

April 17

- 8:30 - 9:00 **Registration/Coffee**
- 9:20-10:50 **Paper Session: The Future of Work**  
  
Ricky Mouser (Indiana University) "Superintelligence and Suicide"  
Commentator: Gabriel Sanchez Ainsa (Northwestern University)  
  
Jo Ann Oravec (University of Wisconsin - Whitewater) "Artificial Intelligence, Human Cognition, and Human Rights: Employee Infantilization and Organized Immaturity with Bossware Platforms"  
Commentator: James Day (Purdue University)
- 11:00 - 12:00 **Panel: The Future of Work**  
  
Mercedes Kelley Tunstall '95 (Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft)  
Vincent Aguirre '12 (DePauw University and Distinct)  
Henry Dambanemuya '13 (Northwestern University)
- 12:00 - 1:30 **Lunch**
- 1:30 - 2:50 **Paper Session: AI Welfare**  
  
Griffin Kiegiel (Wayne State University) "Conscious AI and the Climate Crisis"  
Commentator: Abigail Iturra (Northwestern University)  
  
Patrick McKee (Brown University) "Experience Machines and Experiencing Machines"  
Commentator: Scott Casey (University of Iowa)
- 3:00 - 4:20 **Paper Session: AI and Biomedical Ethics**  
  
Rosie Wilkinson '06 (University of Cincinnati) "Brain/Computer Interfaces, Relational Ethics, and the Habitus of Ableism"  
Commentator: Frankie Knuckles (Purdue University)  
  
Alexander Zhang (Saint Louis University) "Exploring the Ethical Landscape of AI Medical Surrogates"
- 7:00 - 8:30 **Keynote: Nate Nichols '05**  
8:30 - 9:30 **Reception**

April 18

8:30 - 9:00 **Registration/Coffee**

9:00-11:00 **Paper Session: Responsibility Gaps**

Huzeyfe Demirtas (Chapman University) "AI Responsibility Gap: Not New, Inevitable, Unproblematic"

Commentator: Jeremy Anderson (DePauw University)

Jared Nathaniel Smith (Baylor College of Medicine) "Moral Responsibility Gaps for Medical AI: An Analysis of Physicians' Perspectives"

Commentator: Bodhi Hayes (DePauw University)

Christine Susienka (Sacred Heart University) "Bearing the Moral Weight: What's Lost When AI Decides"

Commentator: Corinne Nelson (University of Birmingham)

11:10 - 12:20 **Panel: AI and Education**

Andrew Rosner '05 (Franklin College)

Samuel Bennett (Purdue University)

Robert Earle (University of Northern Iowa)

Joshua Paschal (Indiana University)

12:20 - 1:30 **Lunch**

1:30 - 2:50 **Paper Session: Existential Risk**

William D'Alessandro (University of Oxford) "AI, Domination and Control of Humanity's Future"

Commentator: Kristin Schaup (University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire)

Zach Peck (University of Cincinnati) "A cyborgian middle way between AI alignment and AI fairness"

3:00 - 4:20 **Paper Session: AI in Deeply Human Settings**

Aaron Yarmel (Ohio State University) & Jonathan Lang (University of Wisconsin) "The Ethics of Customizable AI-generated Pornography"

Commentator: Joseph Porter (DePauw University)

Rachel Robison-Greene (Utah State University) "The Ethics of AI and Robotics in Kitchens and Food Systems"

Commentator: Jen Everett (DePauw University)

4:30 - 5:30 **Closing Reception**

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