



FSW Institute of Innovative and Emerging Technologies



SUMMER SIMPLIFIED: FUN, FLEXIBLE LEARNING FOR FACULTY AND STAFF

For faculty and staff who have some time and space for learning this summer, IIET has some exciting opportunities. Each of these programs will be delivered in a weekly, self-paced format (to email or Teams) with an optional Friday drop-in via Zoom.

Upskilling with AI

Revisit the trainings offered by IIET and HR this last year as weekly lessons with practice ideas.

Reimagine Course Design to Adapt to AI

Ready to do some course redesign to adapt to AI? Using the asynchronous Reimagine course as a guide, we'll explore one strategy per week to get you way ahead of the curve for fall.

Quick Tech Tips for Peace of Mind

If you ever feel overwhelmed by email or tormented by open tabs, jump into this weekly tip for streamlining your tech practices to support focus, attention, and energy.

PARTNER WITH THE INSTITUTE

Partnerships are at the heart of our mission, and we would love to talk about how we can help support initiatives within the College and the greater Southwest Florida community.

Whether you're looking for a speaker, custom-designed training, or just want to exchange ideas, we'd love to hear from you.

STAY IN TOUCH

SIGN UP HERE

FOR STUDENTS



EMERGING TECH & DIGITAL LIFE

Student Speaker Series

Congratulations to the outstanding speakers in this semester's series, Angelys Torres and Alyx Monahan. Both students shared the perfect blend of thoughtful research, personal experience, and a powerful call to action. Thanks to their inspiration, we're growing the program for next academic year into a Student Digital Leadership Certificate. Be the first to learn more about this exciting opportunity.

[LEARN MORE](#)

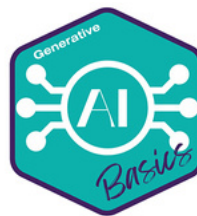
EARN AI BADGES

Have some time to upskill this summer? Learn about AI and showcase your knowledge and skills.

Complete any or all of the modules in the FSW Student AI Toolkit and gain critical insights as well as a shiny micro-credential badge. You can earn the "Generative AI Basics," "Generative AI Ethics," and "Generative AI Application" badges.

Flaunt these on your resume, LinkedIn, or personal portfolio. By doing so, you're not just showcasing your expertise, but also proving your commitment to staying ahead in the fast-evolving world of AI. Take the leap, stand out from the crowd, and position yourself as a forward-thinker in any industry. Your future self will thank you!

[Enroll in the Toolkit Here](#)



AI AND CAREERS

AI Essentials Across Careers

July 14

11:00 am Q-225 Lee Campus , 1:00 pm, [Zoom](#)

Explore strategies and mindsets necessary to leverage AI effectively and ethically in the workplace. In this workshop, you'll gain hands-on experience with career applications of ChatGPT and other useful AI tools, while building an understanding of how AI can enhance your productivity and impact across a variety of jobs.

Sponsored by the FSW Career Connection Center and IIET

LEVEL HER UP AND LEADING FROM THE FUTURE



On Tuesday, May 6th, the Level HER Up Women's Conference returns to Florida SouthWestern State College, bringing together women from across Southwest Florida for a day of Health, Empowerment, and Renewal—and IJET is happy to participate for the second year with Anna Haney-Withrow, Director of the Institute, presenting a high-energy, hope-filled session titled: **Future You: Designing Your Life with Purpose in an Age of Emerging Tech.**

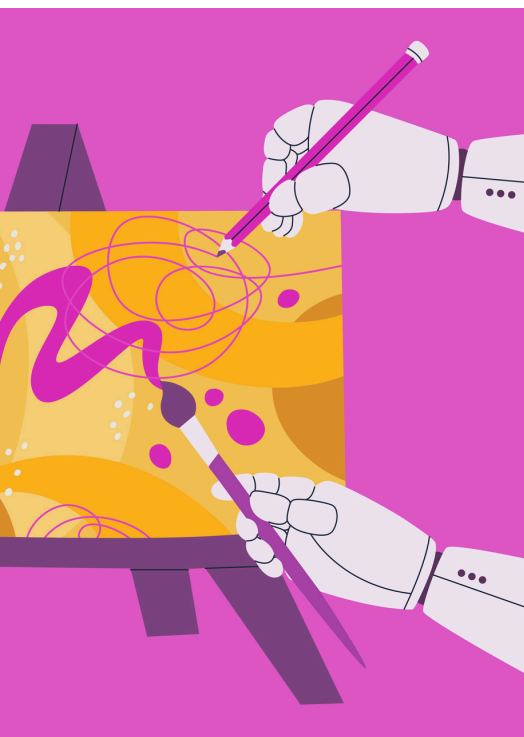
This interactive experience invites participants to step into the role of futures thinkers—not just adapting to change but shaping it.

In a world transformed by AI, AR, and biotechnology, Anna will guide attendees through tools like Signals and Scenarios to develop a 10-year vision and a “Future-Ready Map” of actions they can take right now.

“This isn’t just about stepping into the future—it’s about leading a life that shapes it,” Anna explains. “Women have a powerful opportunity to dream about and create what’s ahead, not only for themselves, but in ways that ripple through their communities, institutions, and industries.”

It’s all part of a day packed with engaging speakers, swag bags, live entertainment, morning meditation, and more. [Click here to register for the event or learn more.](#)

The poster for the Level HER Up Women's Conference features a central image of a pink lotus flower. At the top left is the 'LEVEL HER UP' logo. To the right is the Greater Fort Myers Chamber of Commerce logo with the tagline 'EMPOWER. CONNECT. UNITE.' Below this is the event title 'Level HER Up WOMEN'S CONFERENCE'. A descriptive paragraph states: 'Level HER Up is a one-day program built upon growing and nurturing the Health, Empowerment, and Renewal of women across Southwest Florida.' The date and time are 'Tuesday, May 6th | 9AM - 4PM' at 'Florida Southwestern State College, Building U'. A pink banner lists 'Engaging Speakers • Swag Bags • Morning Meditation • Live Entertainment & Much More!'. At the bottom, logos for the Florida SouthWestern State College Foundation, Lee Health, and Women in Business are displayed.



ROLE OF THE ARTIST IN THE AGE OF AI

IJET partnered with the Alliance for the Arts to host a vibrant panel discussion on The Role of the Artist in the Age of AI, featuring FSW faculty members Nathan Harper and Berry Van Boekel.

Together with local artists, the panel explored how artificial intelligence is reshaping creativity, raising timely questions about authorship, authenticity, and the evolving tools of artistic expression. As AI increasingly influences how we live, learn, and create, events like this foster essential dialogue at the intersection of culture and technology.

This collaboration highlights the power of community partnerships and shared leadership in navigating the opportunities and complexities of our digital age.

We're looking forward to continuing the conversation and providing more enrichment opportunities in the community.