

Welcome to the DFI February Faculty Newsletter!

We hope that you had a smooth start to the Spring semester. In this month's newsletter we are excited to share some exciting events that DFI has coming up in the coming weeks.

We hope you have a wonderful month and thank you for reading!

What's New?

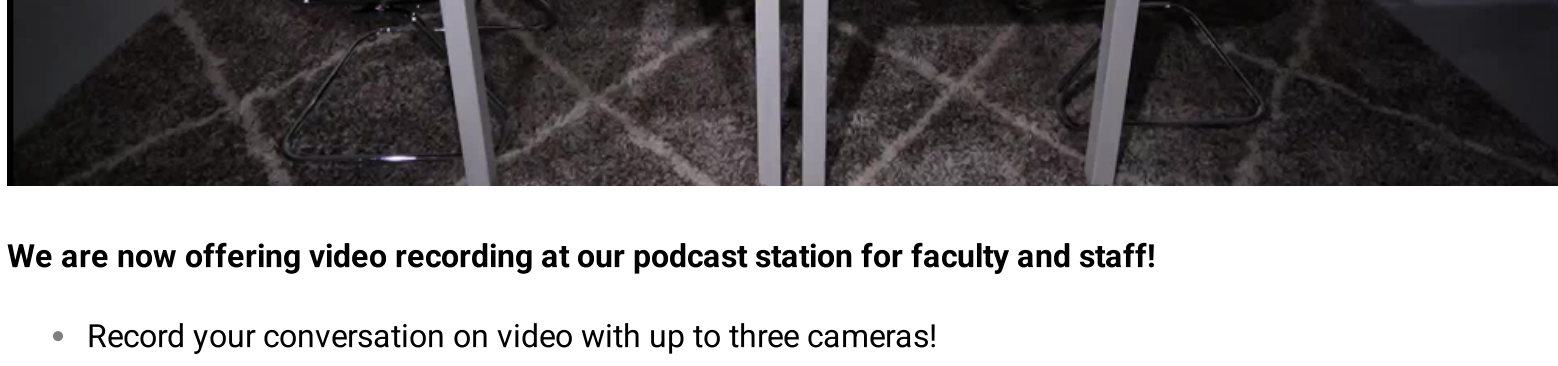
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[Register Now!](#)

2. Video Podcasting for Faculty and Staff



We are now offering video recording at our podcast station for faculty and staff!

- Record your conversation on video with up to three cameras!
- [See video podcasting in action.](#)
- [Open a ticket with DFI](#) to request this offering or to inquire about any other media production services.

Looking to create other media? Check out Studio B Hours

Macy studio B hours includes:

- A podcast station with six microphones.
- A webcam recording station with a high quality camera, lights, backdrops and a studio microphone.
- Assistance from a DFI representative.

[Sign up for Studio B hours now!](#)

3. Spring Semester Learning Labs



This semester we will be hosting a variety of virtual Learning Labs and Masterclasses. These workshops are just size opportunities for you to explore new technology, learn something new about AI, and ask any questions you might have.

The next Learning Lab is on February 15th join us for an immersive workshop to explore two game-changing interactive software tools - Nearpod and Poll Everywhere.

[Check out our offerings!](#)

4. DFI Transmediation Fellowship Application Due Monday, February 12

Do you have research or other forms of scholarship that you'd like to share via video, audio, or another media form or experience?

For the second year, the Digital Futures Institute is soliciting proposals from faculty who are seeking support and collaboration to make their research public by transforming their work into a new form. The "Transmediation Fellowship" will partner you with DFI's team of media producers and immersive designers to connect your work with audiences in new places and new ways.

The invitation is intentionally open-ended: We want to work with you and your collaborators to create from among a wide range of tools you think would best meet your goals for your research and scholarship.

Just to get you thinking, here are some projects we could imagine:

- A site-specific audio tour co-constructed with community partners.
- Video shorts illustrating complex ideas for non-specialist audiences.
- An installation at a community partner's space with a video sharing about the project.

How to Get involved:

Please [complete this form](#) (with a brief description of your idea, goals, and intended audiences or groups you'd like to engage) by **Monday, February 12, 2024 at 12PM ET.**

If your project is selected, we will request more information about your vision as part of an initial consultation.

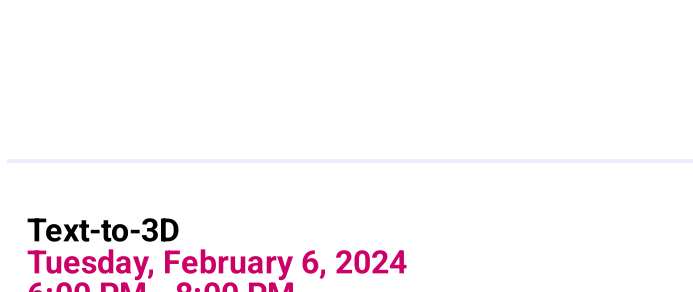
5. Can a Dissertation Be More than Text?



MODES examines the innovative approaches scholars use to connect research, practice, and audience through their creative dissertations. It highlights alternative forms of scholarly expression, showcasing diverse methods of data collection and response in a digital and multimodal world.

[Check out our new webpage](#) that includes the insights and methodologies of five scholars affiliated with Teachers College (TC), who share their unique perspectives and approaches in their dissertation research.

Upcoming Faculty PD



Immersive Experience Club
Tuesday, February 6, 2024
12:00 PM - 1:30 PM

Smith Learning Theater

This workshop series invites all TC community members to delve deep into the Virtual Reality (VR) world to explore its transformative potentials through hands-on experiences with various VR applications for education and engage in discussions of its implications for teaching and learning. The club will meet three times in the Spring semester on a monthly basis and you can register for as many sessions as you would like to attend.

[Register](#)

Text-to-3D
Tuesday, February 6, 2024
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

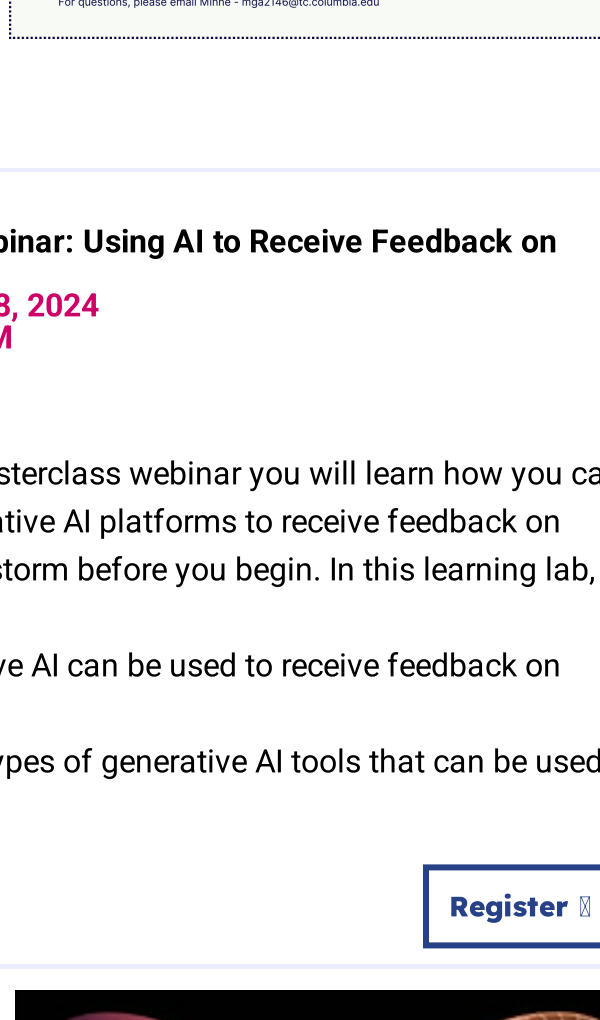
Teachers College, Myers Media Art Studio, 528 Building, 51C

This workshop offers an introduction to Augmented Reality (AR) experience design using AI. Participants will engage in two exercises:

Use an LLM to generate three-dimensional (3D) objects for deployment in AR.

Use an LLM to generate the code needed to render the 3D objects in AR.

This workshop is designed for beginners. No previous experience in 3D modeling or coding is necessary.



DFI Masterclass Webinar: Using AI to Receive Feedback on Your Work
Thursday, February 8, 2024
11:00 AM - 11:30 AM

Online

In this 30 minute masterclass webinar you will learn how you can utilize various generative AI platforms to receive feedback on your writing or brainstorm before you begin. In this learning lab, you will:

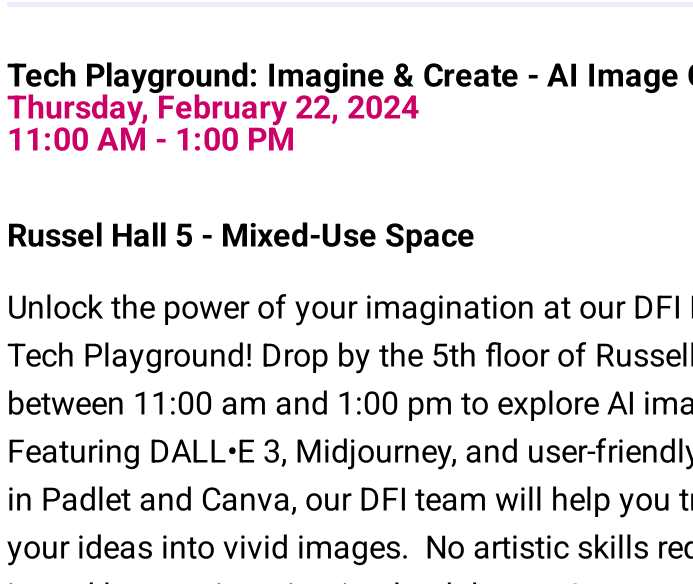
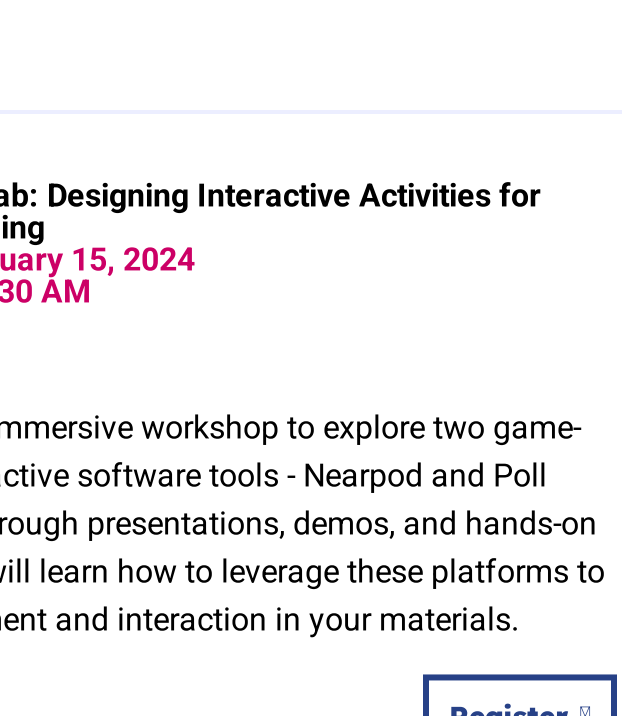
- Learn how generative AI can be used to receive feedback on your work
- Discover different types of generative AI tools that can be used for feedback

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AI Town Hall: A Campus-Wide Conversation about Artificial Intelligence at TC
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11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

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DFI Learning Lab: Designing Interactive Activities for Engaged Learning
Thursday, February 15, 2024
11:00 AM - 11:30 AM

Online

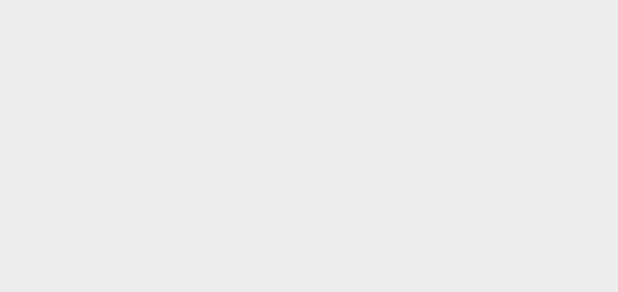
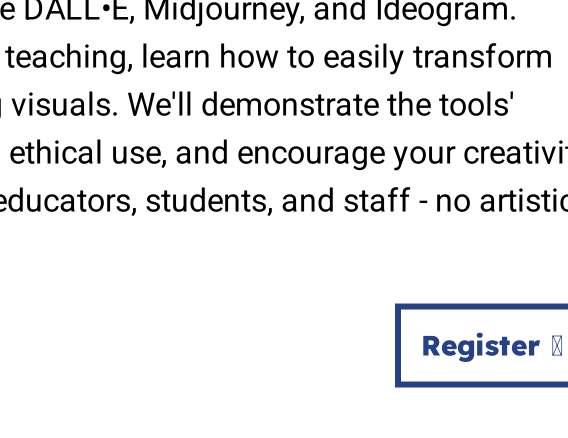
Join us for an immersive workshop to explore two game-changing interactive software tools - Nearpod and Poll Everywhere. Through presentations, demos, and hands-on activities, you will learn how to leverage these platforms to boost engagement and interaction in your materials.

[Register](#)

Tech Playground: Imagine & Create - AI Image Generation
Thursday, February 22, 2024
11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Russel Hall 5 - Mixed-Use Space

Unlock the power of your imagination at our DFI Imagine & Create Tech Playground! Drop by the 5th floor of Russell anytime between 11:00 am and 1:00 pm to explore AI image generation. Featuring DALL-E 3, Midjourney, and user-friendly drawing tools in Padlet and Canva, our DFI team will help you try out turning your ideas into vivid images. No artistic skills required—just drop in and let your imagination lead the way!



Creating Images with AI
Friday, March 1, 2024
11:00 AM - 11:30 AM

Remote via Zoom

Join our 30-minute webinar to get a quick overview of how to use AI image generators like DALL-E, Midjourney, and Ideogram. Whether for projects or teaching, learn how to easily transform your ideas into exciting visuals. We'll demonstrate the tools' functionalities, discuss ethical use, and encourage your creativity to flourish. Perfect for educators, students, and staff - no artistic skills required!

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