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ATU DigitalEd Conference

May 13th
ATU Galway
Campus

Digital education technologies and practices shaping the future of teaching and learning

Conference Programme

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Tuesday 13th May

TIME	ROOM	SESSION TITLE	PRESENTER	THEME
9:15am	1000	Welcome	Dr Orla Flynn, ATU President and Dr Carina Ginty (DigitalEd Conference Chair)	
9:30am	1000	Assessment design for a time of AI	Professor Phillip Dawson (Phill) is the Co-Director of the Centre for Research in Assessment and Digital Learning (CRADLE) at Deakin University	Keynote 1
10.30-11.30am	1000	Insights from the EU Digital Education Hub report on Immersive Learning: innovative pedagogies, techniques, best practice and future trends.	Jacqueline Toal (DKIT)	Parallel Session 1 Immersive Learning Chair Dr Carina Ginty (ATU)
10.30-11.30am	1000	Co-Creating Digital Transformation in Higher Education: Exploring the impact of the N-TUTORR Students as Partners in Innovation and Change Fellowships	Dr Sarah Carroll (ATU), Dr Carina Ginty (ATU), Dr Moira Maguire (DKIT), Olya Antropova (DKIT) and Student Empowerment Co-ordinators for N-TUTORR	
10.30-11.30am	1000	Where are We and Where Do We Need to Be? Supporting Staff and Student GenAI Literacy	Dr Sarah Thelen, Dr Loretta Goff, Dr Marie Ryan (UCC)	
10.30-11.30am	1000	Guth Fánach: Considering the Educational Implications of Mediating the Traditional Voice in Extended Reality (XR)	Dr Jeremiah Spillane (MTU)	
10.30am	1041	GenAI Exploration Workshop	Annette Cosgrove & Noreen Henry (ATU)	Parallel Session 2 GenAI Exploration Workshop
11.30-11.45am	Café Foyer	BREAK		

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11.45-12.30pm	1000	Minds, Hearts and Behaviours: Bridging the Sustainability Value-Action Gap. A Case Study in Irish Tertiary Education	Dr Gabriela Gliga (ATU)	Session 3 MA T&L Applied Showcase Chair Annette Cosgrove (ATU)
11.45-12.30pm	1000	Enhancing the learning experience of Higher Education students by diversifying the mode of assessment - A case study implementing UDL principles	Dr Luca Mirimin (ATU)	
11.45-12.30pm	1000	Automating the Feedback and Marking Process when Assessing a Manufacturing Process Planning Curriculum in Higher Education Using Virtual Learning Environment Tools	Dr Doru Boblea (ATU)	
12.30-1.15pm	1000	Use of Technology to Enhance Students Learning Experience	Sinéad Keogh (ATU)	Session 4 Digital Transformation in T&L Chair Dr Niamh Plunkett (ATU)
12.30-1.15pm	1000	Exploring AI in Language Education: A Case Study on Student Language Teachers' Perceptions, Practices and Uses	Dr Eileen Bowman (UCD)	
12.30-1.15pm	1000	Drivers of the Digital Pedagogy of Teacher Educators for the Further Education sector	Anne O'Mahony (SETU)	
1.15pm-2pm	Café Foyer	LUNCH		
2pm	1000	Using Generative AI Effectively in HE	Sue Beckingham Associate Professor and Learning, Teaching and Assessment Lead in the School of Computing and Digital Technologies Sheffield Hallam University. Professor Peter Hartley is a freelance Higher Education Consultant, and Visiting Professor at Edge Hill University	Keynote 2

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2.45-3.45pm	1000	From Beans to Brilliance: The World Café Method. A Masterclass in utilising the WC methodology in person and online for conversations that matter.	Margaret McLoone (ATU) & Prof Colette Kelly (UG)	Session 5 Student Partnership & AI Fluency Chair Noreen Henry (ATU)
2.45-3.45pm	1000	Exploring the integration of traditional and synthetic Instructional video as an enhancement for third-level Construction Education.	Colin Harte (ATU)	
2.45-3.45pm	1000	Empowering students through undergraduate research dissemination at home and abroad	Dr Therese Montgomery (ATU)	
2.45-3.45pm	1000	Trust, But Verify: Calibrating Student Trust in GenAI for Research	John Hough (UCC)	
3.45-4pm	Café Foyer	BREAK		
4-4.45pm	1000	What does 'embracing' Generative AI look like in Higher Education?	Dr Kevin Cunningham (ATU)	GASTA Chair Dr Tom Farrelly (MTU)
4-4.45pm	1000	Engaging Online Students through Active Scenario-Based Learning: Bridging Theory and Practice with Digital Technologies	Caroline Mullan, Fionnuala Farrell, Yvonne Sarsfield, Mary Malone (ATU)	
4-4.45pm	1000	WAVING not Drowning! Co-creative teaching on Project WAVE, Students with Learning Disabilities in Higher Education	Dr Tamsin Cavaliero & Ms Jennifer Gilligan (ATU)	
4-4.45pm	1000	Digital tools to advance sustainability in culinary training in Ireland and Europe.	Dr Sarah Berthaud, Dr Francesco Noci, Ulrich Hoeche, Eamonn Hoult, Mary Reid, Clare Newman. (ATU)	
4-4.45pm	1000	Enhancing Social Robotics Education through Immersive VR: A UDL-Aligned Approach	Dr Perry Share, Dr John Pender, Yvonne Sarsfield (ATU)	
4-4.45pm	1000	Unifying Minds: Collaborative Approaches to AI in Higher Education	Ken McCarthy & Dr Hazel Farrell (SETU)	

CLOSE CONFERENCE - Dr Michèle Glacken, Registrar & Vice President Students, Teaching & Learning & Dr Carina Ginty Conference Chair, Head of Teaching and Learning, (Transformative Education & Sustainable Learning Futures)