WiDS Central Massachusetts 2021 Agenda (EST)

11:00am-1:00pm  
Optional Attendance at the WiDS Global Opening Session  
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WiDS Central Massachusetts Opening Remarks  
Zoom Webinar Link

1:00pm-2:00pm  
Dr. Jean King, Peterson Family Dean of Arts & Sciences, WPI  
Dr. Elke Rundensteiner, Founding Director of Data Science Program & Professor of Computer Science, WPI  
President Laurie Leshin, 16th president, and first woman, to lead Worcester Polytechnic Institute  
Panel One: Ethics and Fairness in Artificial Intelligence (AI)  
Zoom Webinar Link

2:00pm-3:15pm  
Moderator  
Dr. Julia Stoyanovich, Assistant Professor of Computer Science and Engineering and of Data Science at New York University  
Panelist  
Sarah Khatry, Applied Data Scientists at DataRobot, Trusted AI team  
Dr. Dessislava Pachamanova, Professor and Zwerling Family Endowed Scholar at Babson College and Research Affiliate at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology  
Dr. Zahra Timsah, AI Governance and Ethics Lead at MassMutual

3:15pm-3:30pm  
Coffee Break

3:30pm-4:30pm  
Poster and Networking Session hosted on Hopin
Speed Networking Session *(Please use Chrome for Hopin)*

**Hopin Networking Guide**

**Hopin Link**

Student Poster Session

**Poster Abstracts**

**Poster Zoom Link**

**4:30pm-5:45pm**

**Panel Two: Professional Development**

**Zoom Webinar Link**

**Moderator**

**Dr. Gillian Smith,** Associate Professor in Interactive Media & Game Development and Computer Science

**Panelist**

**Julie Buard,** Product Owner, Grid Digital Solutions, General Electric Renewable Energy

**Dr. Shiri Dori-Hacohen,** CEO & founder of AuCoDe, an AI-based startup that detects controversies and misinformation online and turns them into actionable intelligence

**Jocelyn Petitto,** PhD Candidate in BCB and the first cohort of the WPI/UMMS Joint Program

**5:45pm-6:00pm**

**WiDS Central Massachusetts Closing Remarks**

**Zoom Webinar Link**

**Geri Dimas,** PhD Candidate, Data Science Program, WPI

**6:00pm-8:00pm**

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