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## **Indiana Commission for Higher Education Hosts Faculty Leadership Conference**

*The theme of this year's conference was "Artificial Intelligence in Higher Education"*

**INDIANAPOLIS** – The Indiana Commission for Higher Education (Commission) recently hosted the 2025 Faculty Leadership Conference. Attendees gathered at Indiana University Bloomington and discussed innovative usage of artificial intelligence in the post-secondary classroom.

"The Commission is proud to host an event where educators can discuss such a pressing topic," Commissioner for Higher Education Chris Lowery said. "Attendees heard from a variety of experts and engaged in meaningful discussions surrounding AI in the classroom, labs, business, and society. Indiana's institutions continue to adapt and evolve with the ever-changing world of AI, helping to set the state up to become a hub for research, innovation, and technology."

The bi-annual conference, hosted by the Commission's faculty representative, currently Dr. Chad Lochmiller of Indiana University, allows faculty from across the state to discuss pressing topics in post-secondary education, including increasing Indiana's college-going rate, adult postsecondary credential attainment, college completion, and graduate retention.

**Featured keynote speakers and panelists included:**

- Steve Wasick, Founder and President of infoSentience
- Dr. Anne Leftwich, Associate Vice President of Learning Technologies at Indiana University
- Dr. Stacy Morrone, Dean of the School of Education at Indiana University
- Dr. Justin Dammeier, Assistant Vice President for Educational Technology and Instructional Design at Ivy Tech
- Dr. Greg Siering, Director of the Center for Innovative Teaching & Learning at Indiana University
- Dr. Justin Hodgson, Associate Professor of English at Indiana University
- Chris Lowery, Indiana Commissioner for Higher Education
- Dan Peterson, Vice President of Industry and Government Affairs at Cook Medical and Chair of the Indiana Commission for Higher Education
- Dr. Chad Lochmiller, Chair of the Department of Educational Leadership and Policy Studies at Indiana University and Member of the Indiana Commission for Higher Education

The full agenda and presentations can be found [here](#).

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### **About the Indiana Commission for Higher Education**

Created in 1971, the Indiana Commission for Higher Education plans, coordinates, and defines Indiana's postsecondary education system to align higher learning with the needs of students and the state. The Commission also administers Indiana's financial aid programs, including the 21st Century Scholars early college promise scholarship, which celebrated 30 years in 2020.