



Elon's Hub for Data Competency



February 2024 News and Updates

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Data Nexus Scholars

Data Nexus invites applications from Elon teaching faculty for the 2024-2026 Data Nexus Scholars Program to enhance the capacity of Data Nexus and Elon's Data Competency QEP initiatives. The Data Nexus Scholar will serve June 1, 2024 through May 31, 2026. Eligible applicants must be permanent, full-time faculty at Elon. Applications are due by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, March 1, 2024.

[Find More Information Here!](#)

Data Intensive Designated Courses

This Spring, Data Nexus is piloting 13 Data Intensive Designated Courses. A list of approved Data Intensive Designated courses can be found on Ontrack under Course Type and can also be found on the Data Nexus website under Student Resources. **Keep the applications coming!** The Data Nexus Faculty advisory committee reviews applications every month.

[Apply](#)

Upcoming Data Nexus Events

[Register](#)

AI and Ethics Panel – April 9, 2024, Hunt Atrium, Founders Hall, 4:30-5:30pm



Panelist, Cennydd Bowles (Fulbright Visiting Scholar; technology ethicist and interactive designer, and author of *Future Ethics*), Shannon Duvall (CS), Sowjana Kudva (Cinema and TV Arts), Antoinette Politio (Physician Assistant Studies), Mustafa Akban (Management), will share their expertise and perspectives on AI and ethics in 5-minute prepared statements before opening the floor for discussion and questions. Co-sponsored by Data Nexus, the Center for the Advancement of Teaching and Learning, and the Center for Writing Excellence. Snacks will be served.

Elon Data Nexus DataFest – April 19-22, 2024

Data Nexus Data Fest will feature keynote speaker Cennydd Bowles who will be addressing the audience on AI and ethics, an AI Toolbox Session, and a 42-hour Data Challenge Competition for students.

[More info and registration](#)



APRIL 19-22, 2024

More About Datafest AI Toolbox Session

Data Nexus, together with the Elon AI Campus Advisory Team, will be hosting an AI Toolbox Session on April 22 from 4:30-5:30. The AI Toolbox Session is part of the April 19-22 Data Nexus Datafest. The goal of the event is to introduce the members of the campus community to AI tools and how they can be applied in various areas of their work.

We invite faculty, staff, and students interested in presenting innovative uses of AI tools for teaching, learning, and research by completing this [form](#) by April 2, 2024.

Presentations should be structured as live demonstrations using examples from your content area and are scheduled for 15 minutes (10 for a live demonstration and 5 for questions). If you have any questions, please contact Crista (ccoles@elon.edu) or Alex (atraugutt@elon.edu). Thanks in advance for your consideration and support of this event!

Just want an Elon Datafest T-shirt. You can see the design and purchase one by submitting your order by March 22, 2024. (All Datafest Data Challenge Participants receive a free tshirts)

Qualitative Research & Dedoose Workshops for Faculty and Staff



Data Nexus and the Center for Writing Excellence are co-sponsoring a series of Qualitative Research Workshops for Faculty and Staff, highlighting Dedoose. If you are interested in learning a new software, thinking about new collaborations, or just need a refresher check out the series. Workshops in the series are independent from one another so sign up for any that are of interest to you.

[Register here](#)

The 4th Qualitative Research & Dedoose Workshop in the Series is April 1st and April 3rd.

Faculty Grants

Data Nexus is awarding faculty grants. Data Nexus grants support small-scale data-initiatives designed to enhance student engagement and learning or professional development opportunities to advance your own teaching practice. Grants can be used for:

- course-related student engagement, and can be used to fund materials or experiences for data-intensive engaged learning, or
- individual, group, or departmental professional development for data-intensive pedagogy (group or departmental professional development might include funding for a reading group, online workshop, for example)

Small grants of up to \$1000 support start-up and one-time expenses (materials, stipends, workshops, and so on), but do not cover ongoing operational costs. The Data Nexus Director is also willing to consult with you about other sources of possible funding for ongoing projects.

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