

# Universities of Wisconsin: Artificial Intelligence panel demonstrates breadth of teaching, research, and industry collaboration across the Universities of Wisconsin

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MADISON, Wis.—The Universities of Wisconsin underscored their growing leadership in artificial intelligence (AI) innovation today as representatives from all 13 public universities convened for a panel discussion before the Board of Regents.

The conversation highlighted the universities' shared commitment to shaping the future of AI in education, research, and workforce development.

“As AI reshapes our world, the Universities of Wisconsin are not standing on the sidelines. We are helping define what responsible and innovative use of AI looks like for higher education,” said Universities of Wisconsin President Jay Rothman. “This panel today demonstrated how the Universities of Wisconsin are embracing AI in strategic, collaborative, and responsible ways.”

Featuring students, faculty, academic staff, and industry partners, the discussion reinforced the UWs' role as a statewide leader in preparing Wisconsin students, communities and employers for the technological transformation underway.

Panelists outlined a range of ways that illustrate how the Universities of Wisconsin are setting direction for AI integration statewide, including:

- Establishing AI-related learning standards across a university curriculum.

- Encouraging student-focused research using AI models to improve such industries as health care, agriculture, and manufacturing.
- Enhancing teaching using AI.
- Partnering with industry to develop solutions through AI applications.
- Establishing ethical guardrails surrounding AI use.

“AI presents tremendous opportunities and real challenges,” said Regent President Amy B. Bogost. “By acting together, the Universities of Wisconsin are providing clear leadership for the state. Our universities are not merely responding to change, they’re leading.”

With more than 164,600 students across the state, the Universities of Wisconsin are uniquely positioned to prepare the workforce, drive research, and support communities through the era of artificial intelligence.