

FAIRNESS AND EQUITY IN A DIGITAL AGE

8:30 am–9:00 am **Registration & Breakfast,
Networking & Displays**

9:00 am–9:05 am **Welcome and Land Acknowledgement**

[Vivek Goel](#)—Vice-President, Research and Innovation, U of T; Professor, Institute of Health Policy, Management and Evaluation, Dalla Lana School of Public Health

9:05 am–9:10 am **Opening Remarks**

[Meric Gertler](#)—President, U of T; Professor, Geography & Planning

9:10 am–10:15 am **Opening Keynote**

[Ruha Benjamin](#)—Associate Professor, African American Studies, Princeton University

10:15 am–10:30 am **Break**

10:30 am–12:00 pm **What's Fair Is Fair?
Interdisciplinary Perspectives**

This moderated panel will explore the differing concepts of fairness and equity and how they work/do not work in cross-disciplinary research and work environments. Speakers will address their work related to: normative aspects of technology, fair and responsible automated decision-making, fairness in business products, and indigenous data governance.

Moderator:

- [Kelly Hannah-Moffat](#)—Vice-President, Human Resources and Equity, U of T; Professor, Criminology and Sociolegal Studies

Panelists:

- [Kathryn Hume](#)—Director, Business Development, Borealis AI
- [Avery Slater](#)—Assistant Professor, English and Drama, U of T
- [Janet Smylie](#)—Professor, Dalla Lana School of Public Health, U of T; Research Scientist, Centre for Research on Inner City Health, St. Michael's Hospital
- [Richard Zemel](#)—Professor, Computer Science, U of T; Research Director, Vector Institute

12:00 pm–1:00 pm **Lunch, Networking & Displays**

1:00 pm–2:30 pm **The Challenges for Society**

This moderated panel brings together perspectives from computer science, engineering, law, management, and art for a conversation about the challenges faced by society by rapidly evolving technologies. Questions to be explored include: what are the benefits for improving lives and how can we achieve them; how can we move forward

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with technologies in ways that are responsive to societal concerns; and how can disruptions be mitigated?

Moderator:

- [Jennifer Gibson](#)—Associate Professor and Sun Life Financial Chair in Bioethics, Dalla Lana School of Public Health; Director, Joint Centre for Bioethics, U of T

Panelists:

- [Nicole Cohen](#)—Associate Professor, Institute of Communication, Culture, Information and Technology and Faculty of Information, U of T
- [Mark Fox](#)—Distinguished Professor, Urban Systems Engineering; Professor, Industrial Engineering and Computer Science; Associate Director (Research), School of Cities; Founding Director, Centre for Social Services Engineering, U of T
- [Gillian Hadfield](#)—Professor, Law and Strategic Management, U of T
- [David Rokeby](#)—Digital Media Artist and Artist in Residence, Jackman Humanities Institute, U of T

2:30 pm–2:45 pm **Break**

2:45 pm–4:15pm **The Future of Technology and Society**

This moderated panel will explore students' research interests regarding the complex normative questions that technological advances raise for our future; the opportunities and challenges of interdisciplinary exchange for student researchers at a multifaceted public research university like U of T; and the contributions that the Institute can make to support graduate student training and research.

Moderator:

- [Markus Dubber](#)—Professor, Law and Criminology & Sociolegal Studies; Director, Centre for Ethics, U of T

Panelists:

- [Mohamed Abdalla](#)—PhD candidate, Computer Science, U of T; Vector Institute
- [Ellie Marshall](#)—JD, U of T; Articling student, Ontario Ministry of the Attorney General, Civil Law Division
- [Nishila Mehta](#)—MD candidate, U of T
- [Michael Motala](#)—PhD candidate, Political Science, U of T
- [Rianka Singh](#)—PhD candidate, Faculty of Information, U of T

4:15 pm–4:30 pm **Closing Remarks**

[Rhonda McEwen](#)—Associate Professor, Institute of Communication, Culture, Information and Technology and Faculty of Information, U of T