



The AI Faculty Lounge: What Happens When Your Co-Teacher is a Bot?”

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A playful yet profound exploration of the evolving relationship between educators and AI tools as collaborators, not competitors. Imagine AI co-teachers attending staff meetings, designing modules, or even grading papers with sass. This keynote unpacks real-world use cases where educators have developed “working relationships” with AI agents—negotiating roles, boundaries, and personalities—and discusses what it means to teach alongside intelligent tools.