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Statewide AI Framework

Statewide Priorities and Learning Progression

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Statewide AI Framework Update

The August 2026 edition adds a Mississippi legal and policy foundation, a revised learning progression, four crosswalks, and governance guidance.

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SPOTLIGHT

NO-COST AI TRAINING

Online and self-paced, with micro-credentials and CEUs. Enroll through June 30, 2027.

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- Google AI Professional Certificate
- ChatGPT Foundations for Teachers
- Claude: Real-World AI for Everyone

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- AI-Powered Higher Education
- Generative AI: Governance, Policy, and Emerging Regulation
- Machine Learning with Python

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MAIN NEWS



02 Dr. Napier Named to NASH Board

Dr. Napier chairs a workgroup as NASH builds an AI readiness playbook, due spring 2027.

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03 AI Task Force on Cyber

The AI Regulation Task Force met at Camp Shelby to examine AI-driven cyber threats.

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04 AI in Manufacturing Day

Researchers, MGCCC's AiM UP program, MAIN, and manufacturers covered industrial AI on September 18.

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05 Dr. Napier Urges Human Oversight of AI Agents

MAIN's advice to Coast employers: pick one recurring task, name an owner, measure it, and test before scaling.

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April 12 and 13, 2027

The MAIN Event

Mississippi's flagship AI convening.

Hosted by MAIN. Presented by the C Spire Foundation.

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MAIN AI Leadership Workshop →

Oct. 15, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., The Mill at MSU. For IT, research, and academic leaders.

MAIN x Apple: AI on Apple →

Oct. 22, 1:30 to 2:45 p.m., online. For higher ed IT and research leaders.

EXPANDED FEATURED

AI Across Mississippi Careers

56 careers in 17 sectors, with current and emerging AI uses for each.

- Healthcare
- Agriculture

- Shipbuilding
- IT & Cyber

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MORE FROM MAIN



06

Wayne Francis Leads MGCCC Students in Applied AI Project Course

Students move past basic prompting to AI projects with safeguards and portfolios.

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AI Policy to Practice at MSTUG

Dr. Napier covered access testing, citation checks, and vendor review for government and education technology teams.

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08

Mississippi AI Innovation Hub

Dr. Napier presented eight project briefs from seven state agencies, with more than 20 submitted use cases in the pipeline.

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09

Practical AI for Physical Therapists

Dr. Napier led a two-hour APTA-Mississippi workshop. Every demonstration used public or synthetic data, not patient information.

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IN THE NEWS

Recent reporting, interviews, and statewide AI events.

REPORTING & INTERVIEWS

- Mississippi Today on agency AI
- AccelerateMS on manufacturing
- RHCJC on the AI workforce
- WXXV News 25 interview

ACROSS MISSISSIPPI

- Alcorn State NVIDIA Day
- AI for All HPC workshop
- AI in rural health awards

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+ Also free: role-based prompt libraries for small business, healthcare, K-12, higher education, manufacturing, and finance.

OCTOBER CYBER AWARENESS

Use AI Securely

No-cost MAIN resources for Cybersecurity Awareness Month.

1. Cyber AI Playbook
2. AI for Cyber course
3. Privacy primer
4. Policy templates
5. THESEUS lab

[OPEN THE PLAYBOOK →](#)

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Help Manage MAIN's BP RESTORE Grant →

MGCCC coordinator role. Closes October 8.

Director of AI for Academic Success →

Southern Miss. First priority by October 15.

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- Healthcare
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