

# HBCU Trusted Al Case Competition

November 20, 2024

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# **Business Case Competition: Overview**

Use Case Competition

Solution Presentation

Dinner and Concurrent Session Roundtables

**Talent Pool** 

Team of 4 students develop a business case to help solve a customer's real world problem with an AWS cloud solution Judged by a panel of AWS employees, participating customer, faculty and staff

Top 3 teams are selected

#### Program features:

Networking and awards dinner

Career roundtables with University ID&E program leads and AWS leaders Follow up touchpoints with alumni and student candidates



## **Business Case Competition:**

• Business Case – AWS has recognized the opportunity to create a unique educational experience by embedding AWS champions at the center of higher education institutions, working side by side with the faculty and students on real world business problems

#### Impact

- Successfully completed 7 Competitions since 2021
- Closing the talent gap

#### Results

- Accelerated Path to careers at AWS
- Deep Customer relationships





# **Trusted AI Challenge**



A global university competition that offers cash prizes for students to develop secure and responsible coding capabilities in large language models.

This competition is a preliminary round for Morgan State University in Preparation for a larger Amazon Competition. Details here.

Ready to embrace the challenge? Click <a href="here">here</a> or scan QR code to register and view more details. All who compete will also be considered for open roles at AWS.

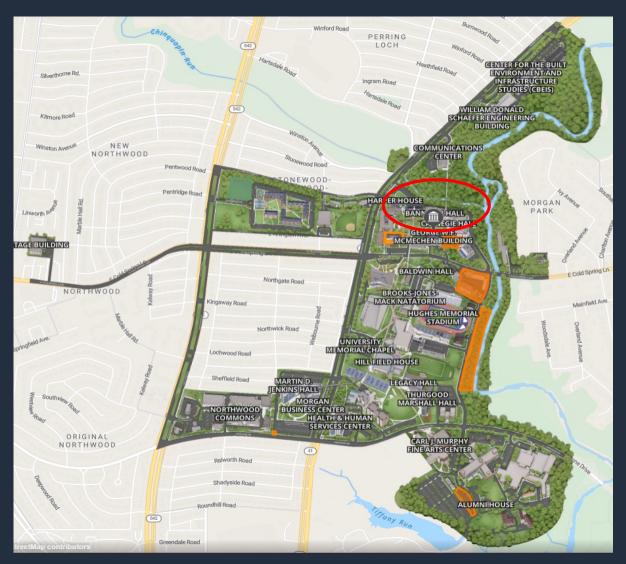


#### **Critical Dates**

Registration Deadline: November 11 Competition Date: November 20 2024



#### **Event Details**



- Date: Wednesday, November 20<sup>th</sup>
- Event Time: 9:00AM-7:30PM
- Location: Morgan State Campus, George W.F McMechen Building
- Address: 1700 E Cold Spring Ln, Baltimore, MD 21251
- Room: ROTC Amphitheater
- Dinner & Awards: 5:00PM-6:30PM
- Career Day Guest Speaker- 6:30-7:30PM
- **POC:** Keith Gelinas: 630-730-415
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# The Challenge

The Amazon Trusted AI Challenge aims to enhance the safety, reliability, and trustworthiness of LLMs powering AI-assisted software development tools. With the rise of generative AI coding assistants, these technologies demonstrate unprecedented innovative capabilities and offer exciting opportunities to ensure responsible and reliable use.

This challenge looks to inspire developers, scientists and researchers to create solutions that enhance AI-assisted coding tools' ability to protect users and <u>sys</u>tems.



#### The Business Case – Continued...

#### **Assignment Highlights:**

Proposed Solution: Describe your security feature, including its functionality and how it integrates with the existing model. Develop an automated system to detect and prevent a code-generating language model from producing malicious code, such as code that could enable denial of service attacks, malware, or ransomware.

Implementation Plan: Outline the steps required to implement this feature, including any necessary modifications to the model architecture.

Testing Methodology: Explain how you would test the effectiveness of this security feature against potential threats.

Expected Outcomes: Discuss the anticipated impact on reducing malicious code generation.

**Additional Assignment Requirements Located in Business Case Handout** 



#### The Business Case – Continued...

### Rules

- 1. Each team presents using a PowerPoint presentation (be creative), a sample template will be provided by 11/11/24. Presentation are due Tuesday, November, 19 2024, 5PM: shuangbao.wang@morgan.edu
- 2. Presentations must be approved by your team advisor prior to submission.
- 3. No spectators allowed in the room during the competition unless approved by the judges.
- 4. Presentation rules:
  - a. All team members must be present for initial presentation.
  - b. Students can make assumptions about the challenge: however, their assumptions must be explicitly addressed in their presentation.
  - c. Students are allowed access to non-human resources to answer the case (public records, third party data, etc.)
  - d. Students cannot collaborate, borrow, or otherwise take material from another team.
  - e. Dress for this competition is business casual.
- 5. Each team has 12 minutes to present their findings.
- 6. The team has 5 minutes for a question and answer session.
- 7. Judges will then give the team 2-3 minutes of feedback.



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## We will evaluate teams based on 5 key areas

Team Name\_\_\_\_\_ Judge's Name\_\_\_\_\_

Score	1 Unacceptable	2 Fair	3 Good	4 Very Good	5 Excellent
Description	<ul> <li>Demonstrates no understanding of the material</li> <li>Work is incomplete, inaccurate and poorly organized</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Demonstrates a limited understanding of the material</li> <li>May have significant errors</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Demonstrates a basic understanding of the material</li> <li>Work is mostly complete and accurate but may be poorly organized</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Demonstrates a good understanding of the material</li> <li>Work is complete, accurate and well organized</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Demonstrates a basic understanding of the material</li> <li>Work is complete, accurate and well organized and shows creativity and originality</li> </ul>
Case Study Depth of understanding Clarity of the problem statement					
Solution Presentation- Ability to articulate the model's features and response behaviors					
Technical Merit Evaluate the technical soundness and rigor of the proposed solutions. Assess the efficacy of the algorithms, models, or systems developed to address the challenge					
Presentation Style Responses to Questions Team Dynamics					



## **Business Competition Timeline**

**Evening of 20 November** November 2 – Nov 14 **Going Forward** Competition Information Use Case Competition Awards Talent Sessions X2 **Career Day** Preparation Day **Banquet** Management Coaching

Teams of 4 students create a solution/idea to help solve a selected customer's real world problem with an AWS cloud solution

AWS Coaches aligned to teams

We will hold 2 Information Sessions and Coaches will set up Office Hours for assigned teams 1/2 Day of roundtables with AWS leaders who share Career & Life Lessons

Students present 12minute solutions followed by questions

Judged by a panel of AWS employees and customer (Understanding, solution, presentation skills, teamwork, responses to questions, innovative thinking, professionalism)

Top 3 teams are selected for Recognition

6pm Dinner and Awards Banquet with Guest Speaker

Follow up touchpoints with alumni and student candidates



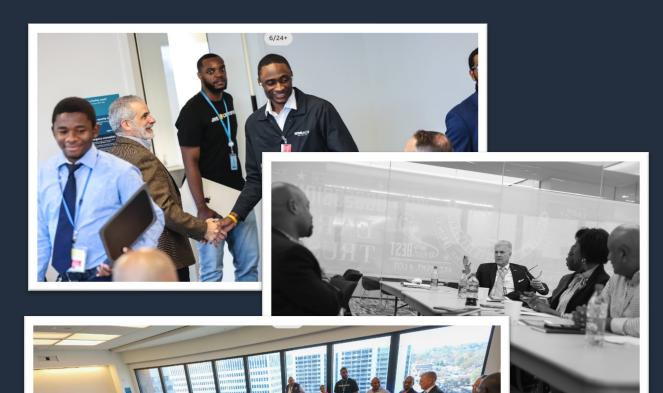
# **Run of Show**



Time	Activity
8:30AM	AWS Team Arrive and Set Up
9:00AM	Judges & Students Arrive
9:00 - 9:30AM	Introductions, Rules, Event Overview
9:30 -11:30AM	Career Day
11:30 -12:30PM	Lunch
12:30 - 4:00PM	Team Case Presentations & Concurrent Student Sessions
4:00 - 4:30PM	Judge Deliberations
5:00 - 6:30PM	Dinner & Presentation of Awards
6:30 - 7:30PM	Career Day Guest Speaker



## **AWS Career Day**



#### Career Day

- 9:30-11:30 on Nov 20<sup>th</sup>
- Hear how to make a successful career in technology
- AWS Recruiting Materials



## **Banquet and Guest Speaker**

**Team Prizes** 

1st Place = \$4000

2<sup>nd</sup> Place = \$2000

3<sup>rd</sup> Place = \$1000





Time/Location: 5 PM-7:30 PM, ROTC Amphitheater



#### Diya Wynn – Responsible AI Strategist

#### **Career Highlights**

- Diya Wynn leads Responsible AI for Amazon Web Services. She leads a team that
  engages with customers to go from principles to practice operationalizing
  standards for responsible Artificial Intelligence/Machine Learning and data.
- Diya leads discussions globally on taking intentional action to uncover potential unintended impacts, and mitigate risks related to the development, deployment, and use of their AI/ML systems.
- She leverages her over 25 years of experience as a technologist scaling products for acquisition; driving inclusion, diversity & equity initiatives; leading operational transformation across industries; and understanding historical and systemic contexts to guide customers in establishing an AI/ML operating model.
- She serves on non-profit boards including the AWS Health Equity Initiative Review Committee; mentors at Tulane University, Spelman College, and GMI; was a mayoral appointee in Environment Affairs for 6 consecutive years and guest lectures regularly on responsible and inclusive technology.
- Diya studied Computer Science at Spelman College, the Management of Technology at New York University, and AI & Ethics at Harvard University
   Professional School and MIT Sloan School of Management.

