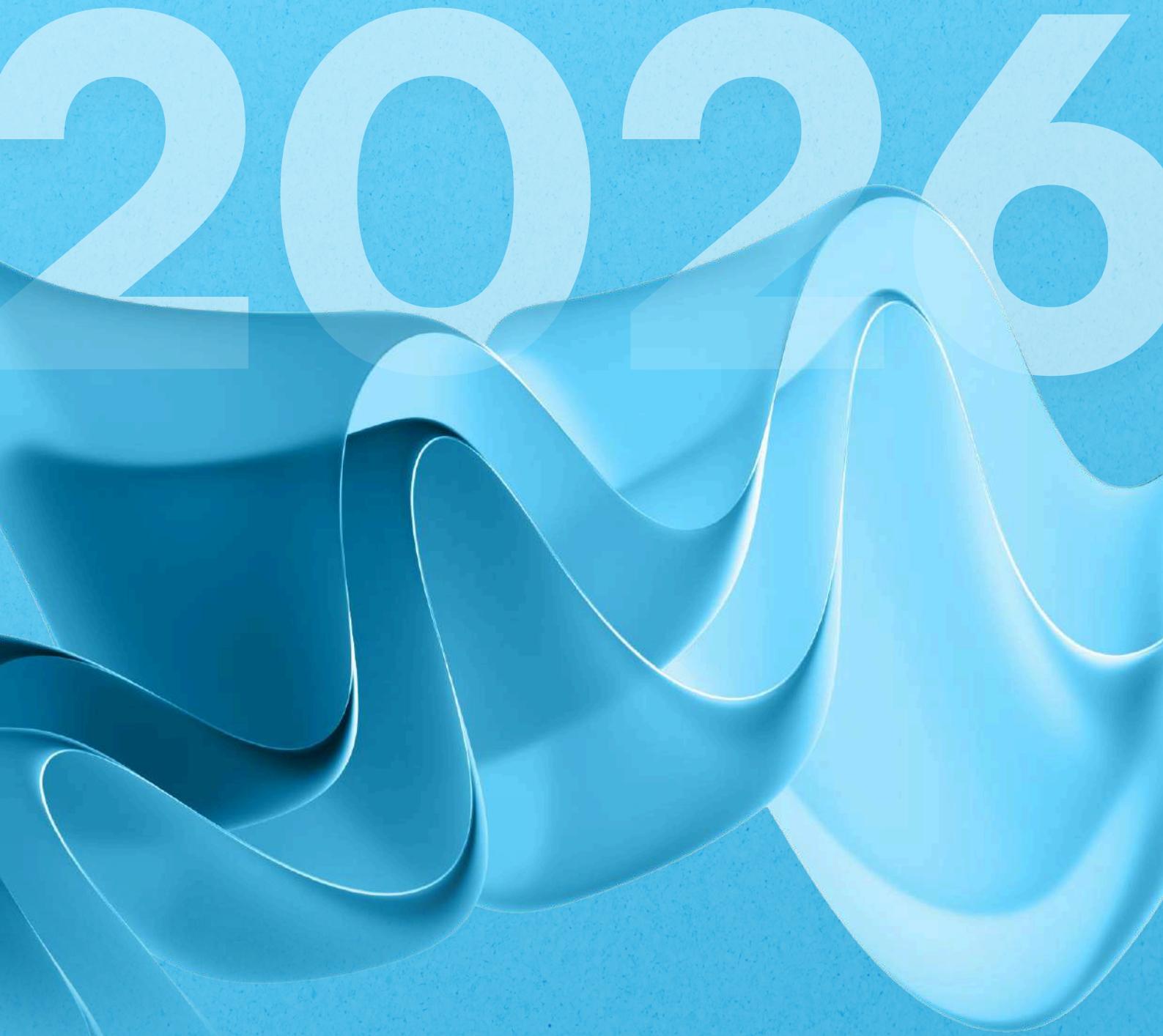


March 7-8, Toronto, Ontario



CANADIAN UNDERGRADUATE CONFERENCE  
ON ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE



# Introduction

## About CUCAI

The Canadian Undergraduate Conference on Artificial Intelligence (CUCAI) is the largest undergraduate AI conference in Canada, bringing together students, researchers, and industry professionals across the country. This conference is a platform for attendees to explore advances in AI and machine learning research through workshops, talks, and networking.

Founded in 2019 by students at Queen's University, CUCAI has seen exponential growth: we hosted 200+ delegates in Toronto in 2020, and by 2025, over 1300 delegates from over 25 universities attended.



## Our Mission

At CUCAI, we provide a spotlight to undergraduate achievement by supplying students with the resources to showcase their research, engage meaningfully with leaders in the field, and unlock their potential in AI. We're also committed to breaking down barriers — making it easier for students to connect meaningfully with one another, to discover the incredible AI projects happening across Canadian campuses and to access pathways into the AI industry regardless of background.

## Our Values

CUCAI is more than just a conference: it's a national stage for upcoming innovators. We foster a collaborative environment where students build not only technical knowledge but also confidence, leadership, and a sense of belonging in the AI community. Whether through project showcases, or direct access to industry feedback, CUCAI empowers undergraduates to grow as thinkers, creators, and future leaders in AI.



# CONFERENCE STATISTICS

## Delegate Statistics

**1600+**

CUMULATIVE DELEGATES

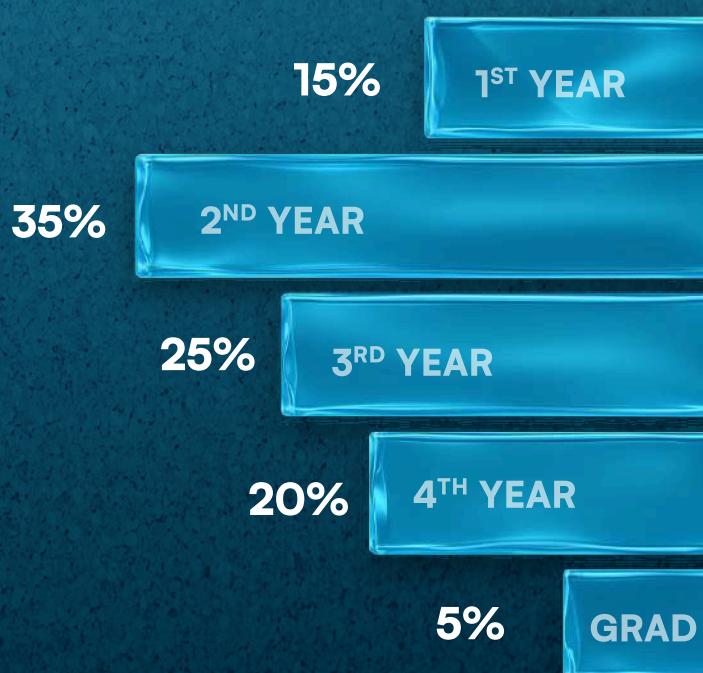
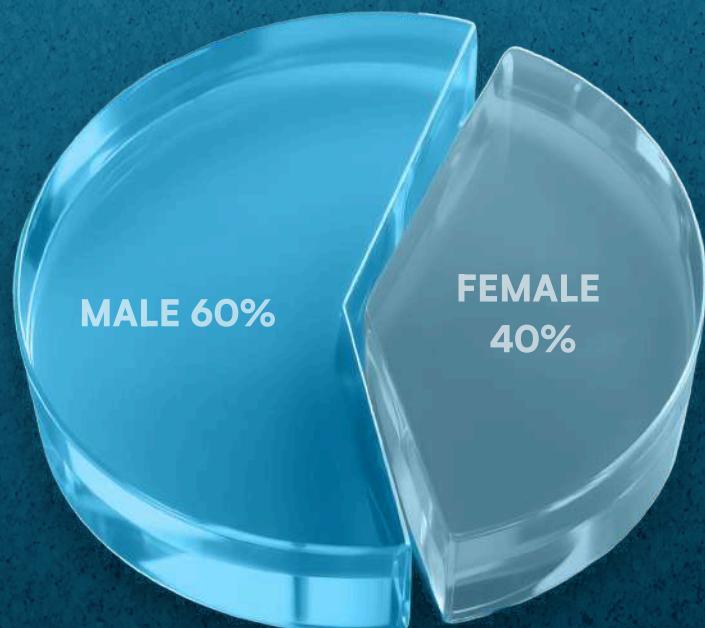
**28+**

INDUSTRY PARTNERS

**25+**

SCHOOLS REPRESENTED

## DELEGATE DEMOGRAPHICS





## Speakers & Panels

Top AI professionals and academic leaders through presentations and panels.

## Workshops

Hands-on learning sessions curated by leading AI companies.

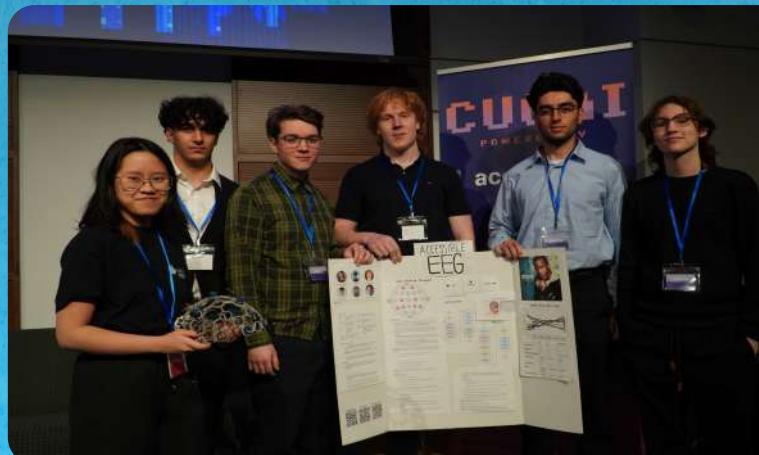


## Networking

Create meaningful connections with students, and AI industry leaders through structured and casual networking opportunities.

## Project Showcase

Discover 40+ innovative student teams presenting cutting edge AI solutions across diverse industries.



# Notable Speakers



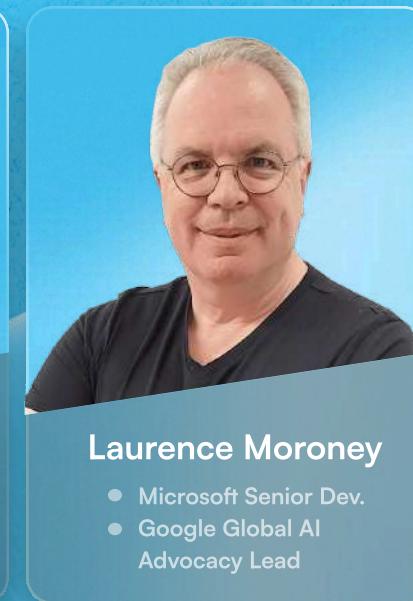
**Geoffrey Hinton**

- UofT, Google
- Vector Inst., Nobel Prize



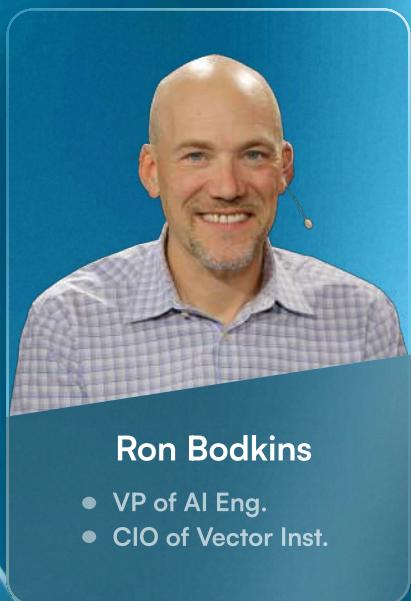
**Shivan Zilis**

- Director of Operations
- Neuralink, Board Member OpenAI



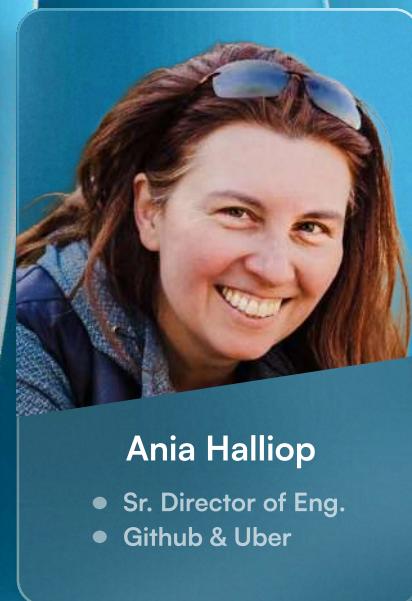
**Laurence Moroney**

- Microsoft Senior Dev.
- Google Global AI Advocacy Lead



**Ron Bodkins**

- VP of AI Eng.
- CIO of Vector Inst.



**Ania Halliop**

- Sr. Director of Eng.
- Github & Uber



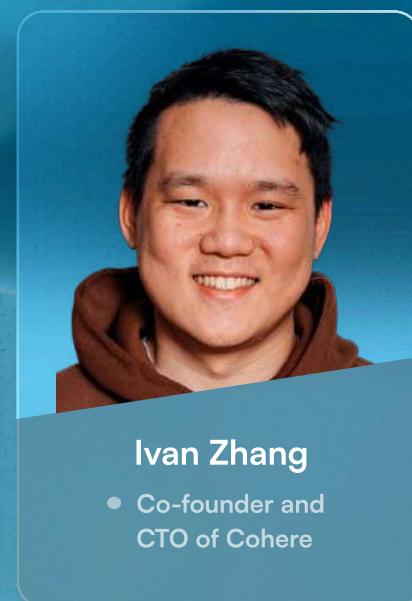
**Wemba Opota**

- Microsoft AI Global Director
- Head of AI Strategy, National Bank of Canada



**Michael Rabbat**

- Research Director, Meta AI



**Ivan Zhang**

- Co-founder and CTO of Cohere



**Inmar Givoni**

- Director of Eng., Uber ATG

# Past Projects

## RecognEyes: Smart Glasses for Prosopagnosia - QMIND @ Queens

RecognEyes is a cutting-edge wearable that empowers individuals with face blindness through real-time facial recognition. With over 99% accuracy and sub-40 ms latency, it delivers instant auditory cues that improve social confidence, showcasing how edge AI can transform lives through accessible, human-centered design.

## CNN-based Diagnosis from Medical Imaging: Leveraging Transfer Learning for Enhanced Accuracy - Western AI Society @ Western

This project harnesses the power of deep learning and transfer learning to classify lung cancer, pneumonia, and tuberculosis from medical images with up to 99.84% accuracy. By streamlining diagnosis and reducing strain on radiologists, it demonstrates how AI can bring faster, more accurate healthcare to the front lines of clinical practice.

## Enhancing Self-Driving Segmentation in Adverse Weather Conditions: A Dual Uncertainty-Aware Training Approach to SAM Optimization - QMIND @ Queens

This project enhances self-driving safety by improving how AI models perceive road scenes in fog, rain, and low light, where current systems struggle most. By integrating uncertainty-aware training into the Segment Anything Model (SAM), it delivers sharper segmentation and better object detection in critical, low-visibility scenarios—pushing the frontier of autonomous perception in the real world.

## Can AI Design Cancer Vaccines? Evaluating Neural Networks for Epitope Prediction - QMIND @ Queens

This project explores how machine learning can accelerate the design of safer, more targeted cancer vaccines by predicting immune-triggering epitopes with high accuracy. Using tools like MHCflury on melanoma antigens, the team identified promising vaccine candidates, showcasing how AI can reshape immunotherapy with precision and efficiency.

## A Deep Reinforcement Learning and Predictive Architecture for Stock Portfolio Management - WAT.ai @ Waterloo

Merging predictive modeling with graph-based reinforcement learning, this intelligent trading system dynamically reallocates stock portfolios using future price forecasts and inter-asset correlations. Tested over a decade of market data, the model consistently outperformed traditional benchmarks, offering a glimpse into the future of AI-powered, adaptive finance.

## American Sign Language Recognition for Underrepresented Populations - QMIND @ Queens

This project tackles gaps in ASL education by developing an interactive, AI-powered tool that helps users learn and practice signs in real time. With models like VGG16 achieving over 81% accuracy, the system prioritizes inclusivity and ethical AI to make sign language learning more accessible—especially for underserved communities.



# Sponsorship

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**Gold**

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## Recruiting

\$1,500

\$4,000

\$7,000

\$11,500

Delegate Resume Book



Student Project Lookbook



Access to CUCAI Discord



Booth at Conference



Host a Workshop



Private Networking Session



Choice of one Panelist



## Branding

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Conference Tickets (Meals Included)

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Open & Closing Ceremony Speaker



CUCAI will organize hotel room bookings at a discount for sponsors coming to the conference. The cost of these rooms will be added to the final sponsorship total owed.

# Details of Sponsorship Benefits

## Booth

Your booth at CUCAI is more than just a space; it's a hub for active recruitment. With a constant flow of engaged delegates, it's your golden opportunity to connect with potential top talent and showcase your brand through exclusive merchandise. Don't miss out on this chance to make a lasting impression at CUCAI!

## Workshops

Spark student interest! Host an interactive workshop at CUCAI to showcase how to build an app using your platform or to have students compete to explore solutions to real problems that your company faces. Creativity is key here and we are open to any ideas you might have.

## Keynote Panelist Slot

As a Platinum Sponsor, you have the exclusive opportunity to select a representation for our discussion panel at CUCAI 2026. Additionally, we highly value your input on potential topics for the panel discussion.

## “Powered By” Logo Placement

Your logo will be featured alongside ours as “CUCAI 2026 Powered by [YOUR COMPANY].” This will be displayed on main banners, title slides, the website landing page, and other branding materials both online and in person. Logos at past events have been featured to 1600+ delegates from across Canada.

## Design Team Look Book

With several design teams from many different schools and groups presenting at CUCAI, each sponsor will receive a digital booklet prior to the conference, providing comprehensive details about all the projects. This ensures you can easily identify and explore your preferred ones and vote on top projects!

## Discord Access

Gain exclusive access to our discord server, uniting STEM students from coast to coast in Canada. Having access to our server will give your company the ability to network, post jobs, and share content in your dedicated channel.

## Resume Book

CUCAI delegates embody top-tier undergraduate AI talent. In preparation for the conference, we'll curate their resumes into a comprehensive digital booklet, providing valuable exposure to our respected partners.

# Testimonies



• Ben Rossen  
• Head of AI Policy &  
Legal, OpenAI

"It was a blast speaking at the Canadian Undergraduate Conference on Artificial Intelligence (CUCAI)! I had the pleasure of meeting so many amazing and talented students who are working on truly inspiring projects ... The future of AI is in great hands."

— Ben Rossen, Head of AI Policy & Legal, OpenAI

[Source: LinkedIn](#)



• Adib Fallahpour  
• Machine Learning  
Engineer, Cohere

"It was an absolute privilege to be part of this vibrant event ... Special thanks to CUCAI's sponsors like Accenture and Cohere for their invaluable contribution to the conference's success."

— Adib Fallahpour, Machine Learning Engineer, Cohere

[Source: LinkedIn](#)



"We are proud to sponsor and look forward to helping to SPUR our brightest seeking to build the future together!"

— SPUR Innovation Center

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BOREALIS AI



"RBC and Borealis AI are proud to support this incredible event, connecting students passionate about AI with industry leaders."

— RBC & Borealis AI

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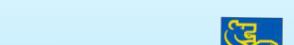
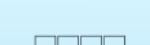
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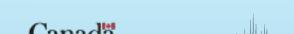
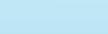
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# Conclusion

The Canadian Undergraduate Conference on Artificial Intelligence (CUCAI) helps students, researchers, and industry professionals from across the country connect and explore emerging developments in AI and machine learning research. The conference provides them the resources to present their research, engage constructively with leaders in the field, and advance the future of AI.

CUCAI fosters an environment where students can establish connections effectively with one another and learn about the exciting AI projects happening across Canada. CUCAI is only made possible through its sponsors, and your involvement would be invaluable in achieving the conference goals. On behalf of the CUCAI 2026 team, thank you for taking the time to consider this opportunity and we look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,  
CUCAI 2026 Chairs  
[chair@cucai.ca](mailto:chair@cucai.ca)

A portrait of a woman with long dark hair and glasses, wearing a red top.

**Mahek Patel**  
• Sponsorship Director

A portrait of a young man with short brown hair, smiling.

**Jake Feldman Starosta**  
• Chair

A portrait of a young man with dark hair, wearing a suit and tie.

**Ashish Ajin Thomas**  
• Chair

A portrait of a young woman wearing a white hijab.

**Komal Azeem**  
• Chair