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Artificial Intelligence Summit

Emerson Alumni Hall

February 12, 2026

8:30 am Check-in, coffee & snacks

Morning Session: Setting the Stage & Sharing the Vision

9:00 - 9:15 am Welcome & Opening Remarks - UF/IFAS Senior Vice President for Agriculture and Natural Resources

AI and UF/IFAS Mission - UF/IFAS Dean for Research

9:15 - 9:30 am UF Vision for AI - Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

9:30 - 9:50 am Director of UF Artificial Intelligence and Informatics Research Institute

9:50 - 10:10 am UF/IFAS Applied AI Center

10:10 - 10:30 am Break

10:30 - 10:50 am Keynote talk: Precision Ag and Robotics

10:50 - 11:10 am Keynote talk: Plant phenomics to advance breeding

11:10 - 11:30 am Keynote talk: Geoinformatics

11:30 - 12:00 pm Lightning Talks

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Afternoon Session: Growing our AI Footprint

12:00 - 1:00 pm Lunch and Poster Presentations - Enjoy lunch while exploring cutting-edge research posters and networking with peers.

1:00 - 1:45 pm Panel 1: Translating AI Research into Commercial Impact - Explore pathways from academic innovation to market-ready solutions.

1:45 - 2:30 pm Panel 2: Navigating the AI Grant Funding Landscape - Insights into funding opportunities and strategies for successful proposals.

2:30 - 2:45 pm Break

2:45 - 3:30 pm Lightning Talks: Interdisciplinary Collaborations - Short presentations highlighting cross-disciplinary AI initiatives.

3:30 - 4:15 pm Panel 3: UF/IFAS AI External Advisory Board - Strategic Insights - Perspectives from industry and academic leaders on advancing UF/IFAS AI.

4:15 - 4:30 pm Closing Remarks - UF/IFAS Dean for Research