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**Gateway, Microsoft to hold
four-part AI workshop series**

For many, AI is changing the world of work – but knowing where to start can be challenging.

Gateway Technical College and Microsoft will host a hands-on, four-workshop series designed to help attendees move beyond simply talking about AI to being able to build, create and apply it to everyday, practical and real-world tasks.

All workshops will be held in the Kopper Auditorium of the college's SC Johnson iMET Center, 2320 Renaissance Blvd., Sturtevant. Sessions run from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m., with a light breakfast at 8:30 a.m.

No programming experience is needed, and each workshop focuses on practical skills that can be used right away. Workshops are valued at \$199 each, but participants will receive a Microsoft-supported \$150 scholarship, which makes the final cost \$49 per workshop.

Space is limited to 25 participants per workshop, and participants are asked to bring a laptop computer. They will work directly with AI tools, complete hands-on activities and create their own projects throughout each session.

Across the series, participants will progress from learning how to use and prompt AI effectively to applying it to everyday work, creating AI-powered tools and demonstrating the value of their ideas. In addition, those interested can attend as many workshops as they wish – each session is designed to provide practical, standalone skills.

To register and for additional information, visit training.gtc.edu. Sessions will remain open for registration until the 25 participant limit is reached.

The workshops are as follows:

Oct. 28: Build with AI: Your first working app

Participants will explore the basics of generative AI while using plain-language instructions to create a simple working web application. Along the way, they will learn how to write better prompts and discover practical ways AI can support their work and everyday tasks.

Nov. 19: Put AI to work: Documents, notes and everyday tasks

Participants will learn how to take documents, notes and other existing information and use AI to turn them into summaries, briefs, plans and other useful content.

Jan. 27: Create with AI: Build a simple AI-powered tool

Using guided, plain-language prompts, participants will build their own AI-powered application and explore how repetitive tasks can be transformed into repeatable solutions – all without needing programming experience.

Feb. 10: Turn AI into value: Make the case for your idea

Participants will identify a practical AI opportunity, evaluate its potential impact and develop a concise, use-case brief that communicates the value of the idea to supervisors, teams, clients or other decision-makers.

Questions? Contact Katie Dembowski at dembowskik@gtc.edu.

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