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IMPORTANT DATES & REMINDERS

Friday, January 16, 2026 Last day to request academic accommodations for religious observance

Monday, January 19, 2026 No classes- Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Friday, February 6, 2026 Application for degree due to The Graduate School to receive a degree in Spring

Friday, February 13, 2026 Last day to drop a FULL-TERM class for Winter in CAESAR.

Monday, February 16, 2026 Pre-registration for Spring quarter begins

Monday, February 23, 2026 Registration for Spring Quarter begins

Saturday, March 14, 2026 Winter classes end

Monday, March 16, 2026 Winter exams begin

Saturday, March 21, 2026 Spring Break Begins

We want to hear from you!
Please send any upcoming news and events to
news@cs.northwestern.edu to be included in future bulletins &/featured
on our socials/website.

**Events for the bulletin must be emailed by Thursdays 12PM to be in that
Friday's bulletin.**

Missed a seminar? No worries!
View past seminars via the Northwestern CS Website
(northwestern login required).

[View Past Seminars »](#)

UPCOMING SEMINARS

February

2nd - Xiaorui Sun

25th - Austin Mordahl

***Please note the public lecture scheduled for January has been
postponed to later in the spring quarter. More details will be provided in a
subsequent announcement.***

CS Department Events

SAVE THE DATE: WINTER PUBLIC LECTURE SERIES

Please note the public lecture scheduled for January has been postponed to
later in the spring quarter. More details will be provided in a subsequent
announcement.

BAGEL THURSDAY

Join us for our monthly free bagels and coffee while mingling with fellow faculty and students.

There will also be another informal discussion from hosted by CSPAC and CSSI on the topic "AI in Research".

🕒 **Thursday, January 29, 2026**
9:00 AM - 11:00 AM CT

📍 **Mudd Hall, 3514,
2233 Tech Drive, Evanston, IL 60208**

[More Information »](#)

Other Events

COMMUNITY ACUPUNCTURE

Join us for a drop in community acupuncture session on Tuesday, February 17th (11:30am-2:30pm) at 710 N. Lake Shore Dr. in room 1400. This event is open to all and is a program of The Women's Center.

🕒 **Tuesday, February 17, 2025**
11:30 AM - 2:30 PM CT

Registration Required

📍 **710 N. Lake Shore Dr. | Room 1400**

[RSVP »](#)

Awards

THINKING
MACHINES

Canyu Chen was awarded a \$5,000 Tinker Research Grant from Thinking Machines Lab on January 9, 2026.

[Award Details](#)

CS News



Harnessing the Power of Quantum

Early in a career that's gotten underway as the potential for quantum computing has begun to accelerate, Kate Smith is focused on leading both academic researchers and companies toward a future in which the vast power of quantum becomes scalable for an exciting array of uses.

[Read More](#)



Helping Older Adults Confidently Navigate Technology

Second-year CS student Abraham Flynn, who won first place in the NSBE Fall Regional Conference Pitch Competition, launched Techy Seniors as a startup company focused on accessibility, digital safety, and everyday usability for older adults.

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Connie Chau, Vaidehi Srinivas, and Yi Yang Selected for EECS Rising Stars Workshop

Chau, Srinivas, and Yang were among the 70 invited participants in the intensive two-day workshop on navigating early careers in academia.

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