



April's Friends of Hannon Panel focuses on AI and Writers

For immediate release—

Is artificial intelligence going to be the end of writing? Will “authorship” by ChatGPT and other AIs make human writers, editors, and teachers of writing redundant. Join the Friends of Hannon Library for a special panel titled “AI and Writing, Is Chat GPT Your Co-author?” on April 9, 2026, from 5–6pm.

In this panel, a trio of writing teachers shares their experiences teaching writing in the age of AI. Learn about the pitfalls, the practicalities, and the potential of AI in the writing classroom and professionally, including intellectual property issues, ethics, and legitimacy. Featured panelists are SOU instructors Anne-Marie Pedersen and Matt Moreali, and entrepreneur Magdalene Sullivan, with moderator Danielle Hammer.

This Friends of Hannon Library event is free and open to the public. It will take place in the Meese Room (room 305) of the Hannon Library on the SOU campus, and a Zoom link will also be available on the Friends website (<https://hanlib.sou.edu/friends/lectureseries.html>).

Many previous lecture series events are available on the Hannon Library YouTube channel at <https://www.youtube.com/@SOU-HannonLib>.

[Metered visitor parking](#) is available for those coming to campus to attend the event in SOU parking lots 1, 12, 29, 36, 37 and 41. Those who need disability accommodations to participate in the event may contact SOU's Disability Resources office at (541) 552-6213. For more information, contact Hannon Library staff at libraryevents@sou.edu.

About Hannon Library

As Southern Oregon University's main library, Hannon Library's mission is to advance information literacy and lifelong learning, by teaching diverse learners

to navigate and understand increasingly complex information environments. We embrace new information technologies and are committed to providing equitable access to extensive electronic and print collections.

About the Friends of the Hannon Library

Friends of Hannon Library's goal is to enrich the collections at Hannon Library. Funds raised by the Friends of Hannon Library have enabled the library to purchase materials that the Library would not have been otherwise able to afford, and to support programming to assist students. In addition, Friends of Hannon Library sponsors a lecture series of outstanding speakers on topics of literary and intellectual interest.



Pedersen



Moreali



Sullivan



Hammer