

Lunch and Learn – 2024-2025

The [FinTech Innovation Hub](#) on the University of Delaware's Science, Technology and Advanced Research (STAR) Campus is a nexus for high-quality education, groundbreaking research and workforce development in the exciting field of financial technology. The Lunch & Learn events bring together FinTech corporations and UD faculty and staff to discuss collaborative opportunities. The typical format includes two short presentations, about a FinTech activity and a UD academic activity (e.g., research or educational efforts), respectively, followed by an open discussion.

May 14, 2025: Weisong Shi, Alumni Distinguished Professor and Chair of the Department of Computer and Information Sciences; Lars Folkerts, UD doctoral candidate in the College of Engineering

May 2, 2025: Morgan Dean, Head of CCB Risk Modeling at JP Morgan Chase (JPMC)

April 16, 2025: Zakiyyah Ali and Josh Berkow, Tech Council of Delaware; Satwik Patnaik, Assistant Professor in the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering

Mar. 18, 2025: John Royer, CEO of InsightHub; Dr. Xi Peng, Assistant Professor in the Department of Computer and Information Sciences

Feb. 26, 2025: Benjamin Melnicki, (Chief Compliance Officer at Cross River Bank) and Dr. Yixiang Deng, Assistant Professor in the Department of Computer and Information Sciences

Feb. 5, 2025: Heather Holding (Sr. Director; Head of Enterprise Risk Management & Chief Privacy Officer at Best Egg - fintech) and Dr. Andrea Everard (Professor of Management Information System, Associate Dean for Graduate Program at Lerner College of Business and Economics)

Dec. 4, 2024: Branan Cooper (Financial Services Executive, The Importance of Compliance and Risk Management & Building Future Compliance Talent) and Garrison Davis (Founder, Little Bob Tech)

Nov. 13, 2024: Laveda Whitfield (Star Communications) Xu Yuan (Associate Professor of CIS, University of Delaware)

Oct. 23, 2024: Pedro Moore (Director of GrowthStage Incubator, Delaware Technology Park) and Leting Zhang (Assistant Professor of MIS, University of Delaware)