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Higher Education

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Helping colleges and universities navigate AI with clarity, confidence, and humanistic purpose.

About This Practice

Artificial intelligence is reshaping higher education — and most institutions are unprepared. Dr. Thomas Finan brings a rare combination of scholarly expertise, institutional leadership, and hands-on technical experience to help colleges and universities develop sound AI policy, train faculty and staff, and build frameworks that reflect their values. As Chair of the SLU College of Arts & Sciences AI Task Force and Director of a nationally recognized Digital Humanities Center, Dr. Finan has navigated these questions from the inside — and is ready to help you do the same.

Consulting Services

Keynote Address

\$500 – \$750

A compelling 45–60 minute presentation on AI in higher education — its promise, its risks, and a practical humanistic framework for institutional action. Ideal for faculty development days, conference openings, or all-college assemblies.

Half-Day Faculty Workshop

\$1,000 – \$1,500

An interactive session for faculty, administrators, or department teams covering AI policy essentials, academic integrity in the age of AI, pedagogical strategies, and building institutional consensus. Participants leave with a starter policy framework and practical classroom tools.

Full-Day Institutional Workshop + Policy Document

\$2,500 – \$3,500

A comprehensive full-day engagement covering policy, pedagogy, and practice. Includes a customized institutional AI policy draft, faculty resource packet, and a follow-up consultation call. Designed for colleges and universities ready to take decisive, coordinated action.

Ongoing Consulting Retainer

\$500/month

A monthly advisory relationship for institutions building or refining their AI programs. Includes regular check-in calls, document review, policy iteration, and on-call guidance as new challenges arise.

Custom Curriculum Development

By quote

Development of AI literacy curricula, course modules, or department-specific training programs tailored to your student population, disciplinary culture, and institutional mission.

Credentials & Background

Chair	College of Arts & Sciences AI Task Force, Saint Louis University
Director	Walter J. Ong Center for Digital Humanities, SLU
Associate Professor	Medieval History & Archaeology, SLU
Fellow	Society of Antiquaries (FSA)
Developer	AI-integrated research platforms: Oir (Irish Archaeology Knowledge Graph), Léigenn (Old Irish Language Learning)
Author	White paper series on AI, knowledge, and humanistic education; AI policy handbook for faculty and staff

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