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Wing Chaplains Course

The Eagle brought a fresh perspective to the classroom by incorporating **LEGO Serious Play** into the curriculum. This hands-on approach gave more than 60 students a break from traditional lectures, encouraging them to use 3D modeling to explore creative problem-solving. By building out their ideas with bricks, the group was able to visualize complex concepts and collaborate more effectively, making the learning process both more engaging and memorable.

During these sessions, students used the Competing Values Framework (CVF) to get a clearer picture of what actually makes a team successful. CVF incorporates identifying which of four quadrants students fall into based on whether they prioritize flexibility vs stability and internal vs external focus.



It serves as a tool to identify if they lean toward collaboration, innovation, hierarchy, or competition to better manage conflicting goals. This groundwork helped them develop specific problem statements and understand stakeholder needs. It was a productive mix of play and purpose, arming the participants with tools which will serve them today and in the future.



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Optimizing Workflows

Michael Head and Kevin Tran of The Eagle are teaming up on Project OMI, a specialized solution for the AU CAO/A7 designed to modernize and streamline eight personnel forms (AU55 through 62). The effort focuses on simplifying what has traditionally been a fragmented and time-consuming review and administrative process. By consolidating multiple standalone forms into a single, unified workflow, the team aims to reduce friction, improve consistency, and make day-to-day personnel actions easier to manage. This initiative is intended to help the AU CAO/A7 operate more efficiently and benefit from a more responsive approach.

To ensure the transition is both efficient and thorough, the Eagle team utilized AI-driven analysis to evaluate the original documentation and identify redundancies. This approach allowed them to condense the content significantly while maintaining the strict regulatory intent of each form. The resulting streamlined process is expected to save significant man-hours for both applicants and administrative staff while drastically reducing the likelihood of manual entry errors across multiple documents.



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Alpha Gray Innovation

In a successful collaboration with the Air Command and Staff College's (ACSC) Alpha Blue elective, 11 captains from the Squadron Officers School recently stepped up to advance research and prototyping. Working with Maj Wilbeck and Maj Street along with AUix, the officers worked on developing two high-impact initiatives: Project CWAC, which focuses on the smart adoption of AI, and Project Maple Seed, aimed at pushing the boundaries of sUAS delivery capabilities. By blending their firsthand operational experience with a bit of academic rigor, these officers are doing the heavy lifting of turning theoretical tech into practical tools for the frontline.

The specialized tools and methodologies available through The Eagle gave the captains the space to experiment with innovative tech in a more agile, streamlined environment, helping them transform ideas into functional prototypes.



Linking the electives at ACSC with the creative energy at the Eagle and AUix prove that the right partnerships and modern tools can seriously accelerate getting ideas to tangible solutions.



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Eagle Events Roundup

The Echo Lab recently opened its doors to 16 members of the Maxwell-Gunter Spouses Club, providing a creative space for a hands-on laser engraving workshop. During the workshop the participants learned the technical process of customizing their own tumblers and cups, blending modern fabrication technology with personal design. The event offered a relaxed environment for the spouses to connect and explore the lab's capabilities, highlighting the facility's role as a hub for community engagement and practical skill-building.

Additionally, The Eagle Institute served as the official host for the Region 5 Invention Convention Alabama Regional Competition. This prestigious event gathered a talented group of young innovators who presented original inventions aimed at solving complex, real-world problems. Supported by Auburn University and the Alabama Department of Workforce, the convention emphasized the development of critical thinking and creative problem-solving. By providing a platform for these students to showcase their ingenuity, The Eagle helped foster the next generation of leaders and makers within the regional community.



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AI Working Groups

The next iteration of the AI Policy Roundtable centered on the strategic development of a cohesive architecture for AI policy within the educational sector, designed for implementation across Air University (AU). By formalizing a standardized framework, the initiative ensures that emerging technologies are integrated with both academic rigor and ethical oversight. A major goal of this effort was the construction of a glossary of common terms and definitions, for a shared lexicon to eliminate ambiguity across diverse departments. These foundational elements are slated to serve as the intellectual engine for the AU AI & Data Literacy Working Group (A3 & A7), to enhance institutional competency and data-driven decision-making.

Alongside the roundtable, the Eagle held a six-hour workshop where 28 senior leaders and course directors from across AU convened to advance the integration of artificial intelligence. The session provided a comprehensive examination of AI Literacy, addressing the strategic implications of AI in education (AIED) and the evolving methodologies of AI-enabled course design.

Utilizing Praxeum, participants engaged in experimentation with sophisticated tools and instructional techniques. This practical application was specifically designed to identify enhancements for the AY27 curriculum. By bridging the gap between theoretical policy and classroom utility, the workshop prepped AU faculty to implement AI solutions that maintain the university's standards of academic excellence.