

SMWC gets \$125,000 Lilly Endowment Grant

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Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College has been awarded a \$125,000 planning grant from Lilly Endowment Inc.

The grant comes through the endowment's Artificial Intelligence in Higher Education initiative, The Woods said in a news release.

"We are so grateful for the priority that Lilly Endowment Inc. has placed on investing in higher education in the state of Indiana. This planning grant will

allow SMWC to evaluate opportunities that AI can bring to higher education in assisting students for successful careers," said SMWC President Brennan Randolph, MBA.

SMWC will receive \$125,000 through the Phase 1 planning grant. Planning grants may be used to explore ways to address various challenges and opportunities arising from rapid



advances in AI technologies.

With this initiative, Lilly Endowment is offering planning grants to help eligible Indiana

colleges and universities address the challenges and opportunities presented by AI.

The Endowment is allocating up to \$500 million for this multi-year initiative. The funds will help shape Phase 2 opportunities, which

include two tracks: Implementation Grants for up to \$5 million for SMWC and Collaboration Grants for up to \$40 million for groups of institutions.

Both phases will focus on advancing AI integration in teaching, learning and institutional operations.

To learn more about the Lilly Endowment's Artificial Intelligence in Higher Education initiative at <https://lillyendowment.org/artificial-intelligence-in-higher-education/>.