

# Responsibility in AI Systems & Experiences (RAISE) at the University of Washington presents:



## Ethan Zuckerman AI Limits, Fixability and Refusal

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**Abstract:** The Fairness Accountability and Transparency movement (FAcT) has identified major problems with AI systems in use today and proposed for use in the future. This talk explores different ways of understanding those problems, and approaches to mediating those problems, from increasing the accuracy of biased systems with better data, to refusing to use automated approaches when it's clear that systems are reflecting endemic social biases.

**Bio:** Ethan Zuckerman directs the Initiative for Digital Public Infrastructure at the University of Massachusetts Amherst where he is associate professor of Public Policy, Information and Communication. He is the author of *Mistrust: Why Losing Faith In Institutions Provides the Tools to Transform Them* (2021) and *Rewire: Digital Cosmopolitans in the Age of Connection* (2013). He co-founded international citizen media community Global Voices with Rebecca MacKinnon and digital media research tool Media Cloud with Hal Roberts.

RAISE is a UW-wide group of students and faculty interested in the broad space of responsibility in AI, trustworthy machine learning, human-centered computing and data science. As part of this group, our mission is to engage in scholarly, educational, and outreach activities that lead to foundational research in these areas.

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