

Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

March 18, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chair
House Appropriations Committee
H-307 Capitol Building
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Appropriations Committee
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Morehouse Outreach for Responsible AI in Learning in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is Morehouse College located at 830 Westview Drive SW, Atlanta, GA 30314.

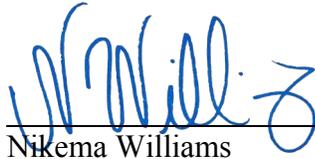
The funding would contribute to Morehouse College establishing a first-of-its-kind AI digital ecosystem that will serve as national repository for disseminating AI tools, pedagogy, policy, instruction, learning, digital credentials, and assessment outcomes. Our baseline data demonstrates how instructors and students use generative AI (Gen AI) and agentic AI (Agen AI) tools in the classroom, confirming that Gen AI can be used responsibly to help students learn computer science, conduct education research, and analyze business marketing case studies. In collaboration with ibl.ai, MORAL will elucidate and assess how AI agents improve student learning and critical thinking.

The MORAL hub will generate transformative and measurable outcomes that will advance the field of AI education nationally. Morehouse College's anticipated results will generate AI literacy and educational best practices for post-secondary liberal arts colleges and under-resourced institutions. This will include democratized access to AI tools, evidence-based AI pedagogy models and frameworks to support ethical and responsible AI use and AI-supported instructional design. Through multi-modal AI agents and personalized learning, IBL.AI technology, MORAL will document gains in student performance, engagement, and retention. An open-access digital ecosystems and repository that houses AI teaching materials, faculty development toolkits, policy templates, assessments, and sample syllabi, prompt engineering guidelines, and case studies illustrating scalable implementation practices. MORAL will produce digital credentials aligned with industry and workforce skills. The goal of MORAL is to serve as an open-source digital ecosystem to disseminate best practices for AI policy, ethics, teaching frameworks and curriculum while providing AI training and professional certificates.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the MORAL hub will advance the field of AI education nationally. The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by section 272 of title 15, United States Code.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,



Nikema Williams
Member of Congress