**Guest Speaker PRESENTATION**

**With Michael B. Holmes**

Primary Patent Examiner in the field of Artificial Intelligence at U.S. Patent & Trademark Office located in Alexandria, Virginia

**Tuesday, April 8, 5:15 P.M.**

Shores Building, Room 006

*Presentation Topics:*

Holmes will share career-related advice including about:

- Dedication to School, Acquiring Experience, and Internships
- Interpersonal and Technology Skills
- Interviewing Tips
- Negotiating Salary Advice
- Paying Back Student Loans
- Preparing for the Future
- Thoughts on Technology Skills for the Future
- Working Well with Colleagues

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Michael B. Holmes has been working in the field of computer science & IT for almost 30 years. He launched his career with Lockheed/Martin Marietta in Cupertino, California in the Space Systems Division & Astronautical Systems Division. Next, in Arizona, he was employed at companies including America Express with their Corporate Card Division, MicroAge Electronics, and Motorola’s Micro Electronics Division, Sector Sim Data Warehouse. Currently, Holmes is the a Primary Patent Examiner in the field of Artificial Intelligence at the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office located in Alexandria, Virginia.

Holmes studied Computer & Information Science and Mathematics at the University of California Berkeley & University of California Santa Cruz. He also attended Arizona State University & George Washington University. His primary course work was focused on computer science (software & hardware), mathematics, physics & English.