



**William Paterson University  
College of Science and Health  
Department of Computer Science**

***UPS Computer Information Technology Lecture Series\****

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**Keynote Speaker: Dr. Edward Chapel**

Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer (NJEdge)



**April 16, 2019 (Tuesday), 5:30 PM – 8:30 PM  
Student Center Conference Room 211  
(A light dinner will be provided.)**

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***Communicating and Engaging in the Digital Age***

**Abstract**

We are living in “The Digital Era,” amid the forces of high-speed networking, cloud computing, the “Internet of Things” or, better yet, the “Internet of Everything.” Our arrival here is the culmination of the gradual transition from an analog world, reliant upon electronic and mechanical instruments, to one where computers and microprocessors permeate every fiber of the socio-economic fabric. Paired with the accelerated pace of digitization over the past decade we are in the midst of a veritable revolution that is transforming how business is conducted, how scientists engage in research and discovery, and how our citizens are educated and pursue their livelihoods. Dr. Chapel’s presentation will explore the dynamics of these phenomena more deeply and identify technology resources, tools and strategies for scientists, educators and employers to harness the intrinsic value of data and information to navigate the new realities governing how we communicate and engage in the digital age.



### Biography

A career educator, technology leader, social scientist and Chief Information Officer at New Jersey's largest private and second largest public universities for the past twenty years, Dr. Edward Chapel's commitment to active collaboration with industry partners, peer organizations and the NJEdge membership serves as a key driver in the advancement of operational effectiveness and strategic objectives of its member organizations. With a focus on enabling digital technologies, he ensures each client solution is value-based, future-focused and engineered to deliver an end-user experience that is unsurpassed. In addition to overseeing the delivery of a high performing network and ecosystem of purpose-built technology assets and applications, his dedication to NJEdge's shared services consortium approach and advancing professional development through the NJEdge Communities of Practice enables New Jersey's education, healthcare, governmental and corporate enterprises to thrive and grow.

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### Agenda

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| 5:30 – 6:00 | Guests arrive, dinner starts  |
| 6:00 – 6:10 | Welcome remark: <b>Dr. Venkat Sharma</b> , Dean of College of Science and Health  |
| 6:10 – 6:40 | Invited Speaker: <b>Ms. Theresa Grier</b> , Senior Director of Applications Development                                   |
| 6:40 – 6:45 | Keynote Speaker Introduction: <b>Dr. Cyril Ku</b> , Professor of Computer Science Department, William Paterson University |
| 6:45 – 7:30 | Keynote Speech: <b>Dr. Edward Chapel</b> , Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, NJEdge                      |
| 7:30 – 7:45 | Q & A with <b>Dr. Edward Chapel</b>   |
| 7:45 – 7:50 | Wrap up and thank attendees and speakers, <b>Dr. Cyril Ku</b>   |
| 7:50 – 8:30 | Refreshments and student conversations with <b>Dr. Chapel, Ms. Grier</b> , and UPS recruiters                             |
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**All are welcome.** This lecture series is open to everyone in the William Paterson University community. For further information, please contact Dr. Cyril S. Ku ([kuc@wpunj.edu](mailto:kuc@wpunj.edu), 973.720.2952), Department of Computer Science, William Paterson University, Wayne, New Jersey

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