

## **Looking to the Mobile Future in Teaching and Learning: Making a Commitment or Observing from the Sidelines**

From the use of laptop and tablet devices in classrooms to the deployment of smartphones in clinical or field settings, we can expect to see more and more creative use of mobile devices in higher education, whether inside or outside of the classroom. As wearable technologies become ubiquitous and augmented reality enriches our experience of our environment, what are some specific applications of mobile devices that incorporate library-related content and services? Will libraries become partners in the innovative use of mobile technologies in the educational program of their institutions or will they sit on the sidelines and merely provide routine information for their user community? What will be their role in e-book provision? How can libraries take advantage of mobile devices in their own educational programs? These issues and more will be addressed in this presentation.