Chis Gist and Kelly Johnston have been offering a GIS workshop series each spring and fall for several years now. The workshop sessions are designed to be accessible without prior knowledge or experience with GIS software and to give attendees hands-on experience with step-by-step instructions.

Workshop topics are based on the how-to questions Kelly and Chris answer daily in their interactions with faculty and students in the Scholars’ Lab, in addition to emerging themes in geospatial scholarship.

The Fall workshop series always starts with *Making Your First Map*, as basic introduction to GIS where students create several basic maps over the course of an hour, and goes on to cover many of the topics typically seen in a semester-long *Intro to GIS* course such as adding X,Y data, geocoding, georeferencing, editing vector data, and working with GPS.

Spring workshops go beyond these basics. This semester’s workshop topics, chosen based on interest from the UVa GIS community, include Neatline, cartograms, open source GIS tools QGIS and GDAL, watershed delineation, and working with US census data.

The Spring GIS workshop series began the week of February 4.

### Scholars’ Lab Out & About

Do SLab folks get out and about? You bet we do!

For the full run down on where we’ve been in the last few months visit [tinyurl.com/SLabOutandAbout](https://tinyurl.com/SLabOutandAbout).

Highlights include

**Bethany Nowviskie**
- gave the JADH keynote address in Tokyo
- gave an invited talk in Michael Bérubé’s Presidential Forum at MLA
- was a Lansdowne visiting scholar at the University of Victoria, BC
- gave a lecture with David McClure at MITH

**David McClure**
- led a web seminar for NITLE on geotemporal storytelling with Neatline with Jeremy Boggs
- gave a lecture at the Alabama Digital Humanities Center introducing Neatline

**Katina Rogers**
- guest taught a session at Matt Gold’s graduate seminar at CUNY
- ran a session at THATCamp CHNM on graduate education reform
- presented on the Praxis Program at MLA 2013 with SLab Fellow Annie Swafford

**Eric Rochester**
- spoke about digital tools on the ACH MLA panel on interoperability

**Nancy Kechner**
- taught groups at the UVa Medical Center to use the tools provided by the SLab to further their research

**What’s next?** Digital Humanities 2013 (dh2013.unl.edu) at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln on July 16-19!

### SCI Update

The program areas in focus for 2012-13 for the Scholarly Communication Institute are scholarly production, graduate education, and support for the humanities. In support of these program areas, SCI has conducted two meetings bringing together senior scholars, administrators, and librarians for discussions, and Senior Research Specialist Dr. Katina Rogers has conducted surveys on methodological training and career trajectories.

For more information about the Scholarly Communications Institute and its 2012-13 program areas, please visit the SCI website at [uvasci.org](http://uvasci.org).
Late Spring Neatline Workshops
This spring, we’re planning a series of workshops to introduce Neatline and give attendees an opportunity for hands on experience with it in a classroom setting.

We hope you’ll join us for the series. Please watch our event calendar for specific dates and session topics.

Events
These are the events remaining on our Spring 2013 Calendar.

For up-to-date event information and complete session details, please visit www.scholarslab.org/events/

Workshops

GIS Workshops
Series began **February 4**

Neatline Workshops
Series begins **late spring 2013**

Speaker Series

Shawn Graham
*Practical Necromancy: Simulation and Agent Based Modeling in the Humanities*
March 21
2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Alderman Library, Room 421

DH Speaker Series: Walter Scheidel
*Redrawing the Map of the Roman World*
March 25
3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Minor Hall Auditorium
Reception Follows

DH Speaker Series: Alan Liu & Rama Hoetzlein
*History of Thought as a Networked Community: The RoSE Prototype*
April 16
3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Minor Hall Auditorium
Reception Follows

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