

Geo4LibCamp 2016

Where: Stanford University

When: January 25-27, 2016

Who: GIS developers, librarians, managers

Website: <https://wiki.duraspace.org/display/hydra/Geo4LibCamp+2016>

Twitter: [#Geo4LibCamp](#)

Geo4LibCamp is a hands-on meeting to bring together those building repository and associated services for geospatial data. The main focus is to share best-practices, solve common problems, and address technical issues with integrating geospatial data into a repository and associated services. For the purposes of the camp, we broadly define geospatial data from scanned maps and aerial photography to highly structured shapefiles. We **highly recommend** that participants bring some sample GIS data and metadata from their institution to work with during the camp. The camp is structured as an unconference with suggested topics:

- Modeling GIS data using Hydra/Fedora
- **Creating and managing GIS metadata**
- Discovery services with GeoBlacklight
- **Building a spatial data infrastructure**
- Working with your data and metadata
- and more...

Following the camp, on Thursday and Friday, we will have optional post-conference working sessions.

Agenda

The main event will be a 3 day unconference on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, followed by an optional 2-day working session on Thursday and Friday (see the [detailed agenda](#)). We will have a dinner on Monday evening, a catered lunch on Monday, and coffee/snacks each day.

Registration

[Registration](#) will open in September and is via EventBrite. The cost is \$100 and we're limiting the event to 30 attendees. Please note that we are requiring a brief position statement (200 words or less) in which we ask that you please describe your key issues and/or interest with integrating geospatial data into a repository and associated services. We will [share these statements](#) with the attendees at the event.

Travel and Lodging

Stanford University is located in Palo Alto, CA which is near both San Francisco Airport (SFO) and San Jose Airport (SJC). The campus is connected to the [Palo Alto Caltrain station](#) and the campus itself has a free shuttle service called [Marguerite](#). From the train station, you can take the [P shuttle](#) to the "Campus Oval" or the [X / Y](#) shuttles to elsewhere on campus. There is [limited visitor parking](#) available on campus. Uber, taxis, and metro buses are available too.

We've arranged a discounted rate ([booking link](#)) at the Cardinal Hotel in downtown Palo Alto (235 Hamilton Ave, Palo Alto, CA 94301; 1-650-323-5101; <http://www.cardinalhotel.com>). The rate is \$269 + tax for a standard room and \$139 + tax for a room with shared bathroom, and these rates are available until January 5, 2016 or until sold out.

Aside from the Cardinal Hotel, there are numerous lodging options near campus and along the Caltrain route. The lodging expenses vary quite a bit in Palo Alto and the surrounding areas as we are located in the heart of Silicon Valley. Downtown Palo Alto (along University Avenue) is the most convenient location as it's a short walking distance to the Palo Alto train station, campus, and to many restaurants. Try Kayak, Yelp, Airbnb, etc. to identify lodging options in the [mid-Peninsula region](#).

Event Location

The main event will be held at the Hartley Conference Center located on the 1st floor of the [Mitchell Earth Sciences Building](#) (at 397 Panama Mall, Stanford, CA), which is near to the main quad on the [Stanford University campus](#). The [Branner Earth Sciences Library](#) is just upstairs from our meeting room. The building is on the route of the [X / Y / SLAC](#) shuttles, or walking distance from the Campus Oval on the [P shuttle](#) route. The post-conference sessions will be held on the 3rd floor of [Lathrop Library](#), which is adjacent to the Campus Oval.

Sunday Night Dinner

If you're in town Sunday night (1/24) and want to grab dinner, we will meet in the lobby of the Cardinal Hotel (235 Hamilton Ave) at 6pm. There are several great restaurants a short walking distance from the hotel.

Code of Conduct

Our conference is dedicated to providing a harassment-free conference experience for everyone, regardless of gender, gender identity and expression, age, sexual orientation, disability, physical appearance, body size, race, ethnicity, or religion (or lack thereof). We do not tolerate harassment of conference participants in any form. Sexual language and imagery is not appropriate for any conference venue, including talks, workshops, parties, Twitter and other online media. Conference participants violating these rules may be sanctioned or expelled from the conference without a refund at the discretion of the conference organisers.

Questions?

If you have any questions, please contact us via email at geo4libcamp@lists.stanford.edu.