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Tuesday, May 14, 2013

[Summer Seminar Series on Digital Research](#)

University Libraries and the Graduate College announce...

A Summer Seminar Series on Digital Research!

We are excited to offer this series of presentations and a culminating workshop that will allow WMU graduate students, faculty, and staff to:

- ∅ become familiar with the vocabulary of digital research, projects, and publications
- ∅ see models of digital projects undertaken by our faculty and supported by our library, and to see what other institutions are doing, as well
- ∅ learn how to incorporate these projects into your own teaching and become acquainted with tools to build your own digital project

Events (all will take place in Waldo Library, Classroom A):

Thursday, May 30, 2:30-4

"Digital Gower and the Virtual Library" – Dr. Eve Salisbury, Department of English

Dr. Salisbury will discuss and demo the "The Gower Project," a multi-site collaborative enterprise providing access to manuscripts, editions, sources, and links advancing the study of 14th-century poet John Gower. Dr. Salisbury will also discuss her involvement with the online publication *Accessus: A Journal of Premodern Literature and New Media*.

Tuesday, June 4, 2:30-4

"The Challenges and Opportunities of Digital Publishing" – Dr. Kenneth Steuer, Department of History

Dr. Steuer will describe working with the American Historical Association's Gutenberg-e digital publishing initiative at Columbia University, his collaborative work with Indiana University and various United Nations Archives Collections in Geneva and his current digital archive.

Wednesday, June 5, 2:30-4

"*Alvar Núñez Cabeza de Vaca and His Governorship of the Río de la Plata* and other projects: Digital Manuscripts and Images" – Dr. Pablo Pastrana-Perez, Department of Spanish and Sheila Bair, University Libraries

Dr. Pastrana-Pérez will present his project on Alvar Núñez Cabeza de Vaca and will discuss how to bring archival materials from the sixteenth century in manuscript form to a modern reader, and the transition

from parchment or paper to the computer screen. Pastrana-Pérez is an associate professor of Spanish and works primarily with medieval and early-modern texts. Professor Bair will discuss her work with metadata and TEI (Text Encoding Initiative) using WMU Libraries' Civil War Diaries digital collection. Dr. Bair has served on a number of national working groups on standardizing and optimizing searching on the web.

Tuesday, June 11, 2:30-5pm

Workshop: Models and Resources for Digital Scholarship: Tools offered by Waldo Library and Beyond – University Libraries Digital Experts

A chance to start planning your own digital project! Learn about tools and methods like data-mining, metadata, mapping, the WMU digitization center, and Scholarworks.

Please RSVP for the workshop and talks you plan to attend. Sign up at:
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/digitalscholarship>

Please **bring questions and ideas** about how to apply these tools and models to your own research, and plan to stay to talk to our presenters and experts!

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