



2017 MN GIS/LIS Consortium Pre-Conference Workshops FAQs

The Minnesota GIS/LIS Consortium is pleased to offer a diverse list of workshops on Wednesday October 4th, 2017 at the Sanford Center in Bemidji, MN.

Navigating the North

COST:

Half Day: \$135(Early) \$170 (After 10/7) \$180 (On-Site)

All workshops are half day sessions.

What workshops are you offering?

- **Forestry and Mobile Technology (AM Workshop)**
- **Understanding the Public Land Survey System and Legal Descriptions (AM workshop)**
- **Getting Started Using Python with GIS (AM workshop)**
- **Parcel Fabric 101 (AM workshop)**
- **Introduction to Collector for ArcGIS (AM workshop)**
- **Intro to ArcGIS Online (AM workshop)**
- **Introduction to QGIS (AM workshop)**
- **Getting Started with ArcGIS Pro (AM workshop)**
- **Intermediate Collector for ArcGIS (PM workshop)**
- **Exploring the Utility Network & Tools with ArcGIS Pro (PM workshop)**
- **Configuring Solutions for ArcGIS Online (PM workshop)**
- **Parcel Fabric 601 (PM workshop)**
- **Web AppBuilder for ArcGIS: Knowing You Options (PM workshop)**
- **High Accuracy Mapping with Esri's Collector (PM workshop)**
- **ArcGIS for Server: Administration and Advanced Topics (PM workshop)**

Are there computers provided for the hands-on workshops?

No. All Hands-On workshops will be Bring Your Own Laptop (BYOL) or Bring Your Own Mobile Device (BYOM).

Is lunch provided?

Lunch, including vegetarian options, is included with the cost of workshop registration to all workshop attendees. Lunch will be onsite in the Sanford Center, near the workshop rooms.

Who is teaching the workshops?

The workshops are taught by industry professionals from both the public and the private sector; with familiar and new faces this year! You can see who is instructing each workshop in the workshop description and on the registration page.

Does Student Registration included Pre-Conference Workshops?

The cost of the workshops is not included with student conference registration and the cost of the Wednesday workshops are separate. We encourage everyone to sign up for the workshops and do have limited student opportunities to moderate a workshop. Moderating includes assisting with set-up and other housekeeping tasks. Information about moderating a workshop can be provided to students by contacting us at workshops@mngislis.org with the subject "Pre-Conference Workshops".

What do Student Assistants do during the Pre-Conference Workshops?

The students who are participating in the Student Assistantship Program will serve as Moderators for the Pre-Conference Workshops or assistant other Conference Committee members with other tasks.

Are there workshops for K-12 Educators?

This year on Wednesday there will be all-day activities for K-12 Educators taking place alongside the normal Pre-Conference Workshops provided through the Department of Education. More details will be coming.

I am also attending the conference; what will there be to do after workshops are done?

A variety of entertainment options will be available in Bemidji after workshops have concluded. We suggest coming to the Wednesday Evening Welcome Reception from 4:30 p.m. - 5:30pm at the Geolounge on the second floor of the Sanford Center to catch up with old colleagues and meet new friends. After the initial Welcome Reception there will be an event taking place at Hampton Inn's Ballroom starting around 7:00 p.m.

I am not coming to the conference this year; can I still register for a workshop?

Absolutely! Even if you are not able to attend the conference, you can register for a workshop. To register, select the workshop(s) of interest while registering and proceed to check-out. Make sure you let your colleagues know that even if they are not able to attend the conference, they can take advantage of these pre-conference workshops!

I don't consider myself a "GIS professional" I am a _____ (student / teacher / manager / programmer / activist /etc.) Can I attend?

Absolutely; everyone is welcome! Whether you are a new to GIS or an expert, you are enthusiastically invited to attend! Have we mentioned that there is something for everyone?

Are there hotels available on the Tuesday night before the Wednesday workshops?

Yes; the Minnesota GIS/LIS Consortium has a block of hotel rooms for Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, but you must book before September 4th. Book your room early to get the conference rate and visit our [conference site](#) for more information about the available hotels.

Do I get a certificate?

Yes; you will receive a certificate acknowledging your workshop participation, which can be used in coordination with the GISP application process. It will also be recorded in our membership database.

I already registered for the conference but I would like to sign up for a workshop, too!

No problem; call our office at 651-203-7242 and we will help you through the workshop registration process.

I would like to instruct a workshop in the future; whom do I contact?

If you are interested in instructing a workshop in the future whether for Spring or Fall please contact workshops@mngislis.org or click here to fill out a [form](#).

I have more questions!

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