

International School for Geospatial Health GIS Short Course Offering “Geospatial Health and Environment” December 1-4, 2008, New Orleans, USA

Prior to the 2th International Symposium on Geospatial Health,
December 5-7 and the 57th Annual meeting of the
American Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene, December 8-11, 2008

The International School of Geospatial Health is the training program of the Global Network for Geospatial Health (www.gnosisgis.org). Aims are to promote health applications of the geospatial sciences by offering entry level courses to health scientists and to foster routine use of geospatial methodologies in epidemiological studies and disease control programs.

Guided by certified instructors, students will learn to use methods presented step-by-step in a 10-module course manual and lessons resource dataset entitled “Geospatial Health and Environment”. Each student will develop a course project using health data from their own research or data from control programs at their home institution. Satellite imagery and GIS shapefiles in a “Minimum Medical GIS Database” are provided on CDROM’s to each student for use in health GIS applications. Students receive a free 1-year membership in the Global Network for Geospatial Health.

“Geospatial Health and Environment” short courses will be offered on a scheduled basis at 5 fixed-site “nodes” where well equipped GIS laboratories are available - Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge-New Orleans, USA; University of Zambia, Lusaka; Institute of Parasitic Diseases-China CDC, Shanghai; University of Naples, Italy and the Federal University of Bahia, Salvador, Brazil. “Portable” courses taught at other sites can be arranged.



Venue:

Bienville House Hotel, New Orleans, LA, USA
(In the heart of the French Quarter)

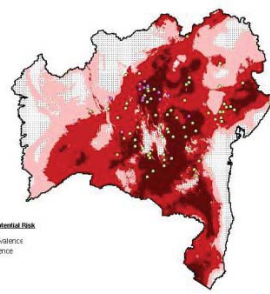
Course Fee: \$575 per student

Lodging:

Bienville House Hotel, 320 Decatur St.
New Orleans, LA 70130, USA
Tel. +1 504 529-2345

website: www.bienvillehouse.com

Daily rate: \$89 - \$119



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The Global Network for Geospatial Health-GnosisGIS will host the 2nd International Symposium on Geospatial Health in New Orleans, December 5-7, 2008. The theme “Advances in Geospatial Health” will provide a forum on advances in health applications of the geospatial sciences.

The 2-day meeting will include invited plenary papers and concurrent sessions to present results of submitted abstracts. Registration and abstract submission will be accepted electronically via www.GnosisGIS.org the official web site.

Early Registration: May 1, 2008 \$100

Student Registration: \$25

Late Registration: After September 1, 2008 \$125

Abstract submission deadline: September 1, 2008

Registration includes a complimentary 1-year membership in the Global Network for Geospatial Health and the next two issues of the journal “Geospatial Health”. The Symposium will be preceded by an International School for Geospatial Health Short Course, December 1-4, 2008.



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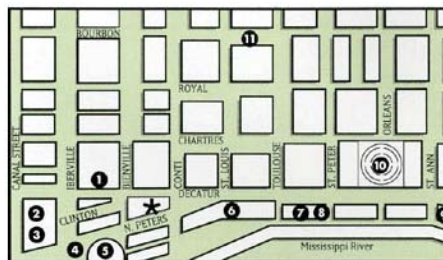
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- (2) One Canal Place Shopping Mall
- (3) Sak's Fifth Avenue & Brooks Bros.
- (4) Aquarium of the Americas
- (5) IMAX Movie Theater
- (6) Hard Rock Cafe
- (7) Jax Brewery Shopping Mall
- (8) Planet Hollywood
- (9) Cafe Du Monde
- (10) Jackson Square
- (11) Bourbon Street

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