

Spatial Data Science Hangouts 2019

Fall 2019

Why and How to Apply for a Professorship?

With the season for academic jobs beginning, this spatial data science hangout was used to discuss why and how to apply for a professorship, eg., how to write your cover letters, what makes a good recommendation letter, how to structure your CV, how to score during the on-site interviews and your talk, how to negotiate, and so on.

The focus was on jobs in spatial data science, GIScience, remote sensing, spatial cognition in a hands-on, interactive way.

Spring 2019

Open Knowledge Network (OKN) Proposals

Review and discussion of the Open Knowledge Network (OKN) proposals, the proposed work, and the path ahead in developing the full proposals.

Winter 2019

The Lunch Incubator: A Spatial Data Hangout Recap

The Center for Spatial Studies' hosted its first Spatial Data Science hangout. Almost 30 usually dispersed graduate students crept out from their hiding places into the bright of day this Tuesday, having heard the call of an informal gathering of spatial data scientists. Dr. Janowicz proposed two moonshot ideas to advance the field of Spatial Data Science. If we want to make Spatial Data Science a field with a vision, he imagines, we need a big, crazy idea to drive towards. What could that idea be? How about a [Geo-Turing test](#): Say, a user asks a GIS question of a machine and is unable to tell the difference between a machine's and a GIS analyst's results? Or, as another crazy idea, how about detecting and resolving spatial trends of civil destruction, before the [Great Filter](#) is upon us?

Students then discussed the ideas they had just heard over a light lunch. What more was there to learn and do? What could be done next? Inter-lab discussion brought a chance to catch up with old friends and get new ways to think about these topics.