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JUNE 4 - 8, 2018 BOSTON UNIVERSITY



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OUR SCHEDULE

MONDAY, JUNE 4 / DAY 1: FINDING DATA

8:00 - 9:00 a.m.

Optional Software Installation/Technical Help Session

*Please come early today if you need help reviewing software installation or other technical issues COM Room 209

9:00 - 10:00 a.m.

Data+Narrative: Getting Started

Instructor: Maggie Mulvihill, BU Data+Narrative Workshops Founder & Executive Director, Associate Professor of the

Practice in Computational Journalism

Learning Objective: Capture the big picture of data storytelling COM Room 209

10:00 - 10:45 a.m.

Explanation of the Digital Badge Program / Benefits

Instructor: Maggie Mulvihill

Learning Objective: Describe the importance of having a

digital badge from this program

COM Room 209

10:45 - 11:00 a.m. Break

11:00 - 12:30 p.m.

So Much Data: Finding High-Value Records for Your Project

Instructor: Margot Williams, Research Editor for

Investigations, the Intercept

Learning Objective: Identify the best data for your project COM Room 209

12:30 - 1:30 p.m.

Pizza Lunch and Narrative Data Storytelling Writing Practice

Instructor: Rochelle Sharpe, Pulitzer Prize winning freelance reporter

Learning Objective: Transform numbers into narrative COM Room 209

Extracting Reliable Data from Social Media: The Latest Tools

Instructor: Meghan Holgrem, Senior News Editor, Storyful Learning Objective: Harness social media data to inform your story

COM Room 209

3:00 - 3:15 p.m. Break

3:15 - 4:30 p.m.

Stats 101: Finding the Statistical Significance in Your Data

Instructor: Wayne Snyder, Boston University, Associate **Professor of Computer Science**

Learning Objective: Understand the statistical meaning in your data

COM Room 209

4:30 - 5:15 p.m.

Project Work, Summary of Today's Lessons, Practice Exercises and Evaluations

5:15 - 8:00 p.m

Data Storytelling Happy Hour at Scoozi

*All attendees, student coaches, staff and faculty welcome Scoozi is at 580 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, MA 02215

TUESDAY, JUNE 5 / DAY 2: EXTRACTING DATA

Scraping Data from the Web I: Free Resources for Storytellers

Instructor: Charles Berret, Fellow, Brown Institute for Media Innovation, Columbia University

Learning Objective: Use free, simple web scraping methods COM Room 209

10:30 - 10:45 a.m. Break

10:45 - 12:30 p.m.

Scraping Data from the Web II: Applying Your New Skills

Instructor: Charles Berret, Fellow, Brown Institute for Media Innovation, Columbia University

Learning Objective: Practice with your new scraping skills COM Room 209

12:30 - 1:30 p.m. Lunch on Your Own

Spreadsheets 101: The Key Steps to Begin Data Mining for

Instructor: Ally Jarmanning, Data Journalist, WBUR Learning Objective: Explore the basic functions for tabular data COM Room 209

3:00 - 3:15 p.m. Break

3:15 - 4:45 p.m.

Liberating Data from Documents: Free and Reliable Methods

Instructor: David Heath, Freelance Investigative Journalist Learning Objective: Acquire skills to free data trapped in documents

COM Room 209

4:45 - 5:00 p.m.

Summary of Today's Lessons, Practice Exercises and **Evaluations**

COM Room 209

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6 / DAY 3: **CLEANING AND ANALYZING YOUR DATA**

Working with Dirty Data: Time-Saving Tips and Tricks

Instructor: David Heath, Freelance Investigative Journalist Learning Objective: Standardize and prepare data for analysis COM Room 209

10:30 - 10:45 a.m. Break

10:45 - 12:30 p.m.

Spreadsheets II: The Power of the Pivot Table

Instructor: Joshua Hatch, Assistant Managing Editor for Data and Interactives, Chronicle of Higher Education and Chronicle of Philanthropy

Learning Objective: Pivot your data to spot stories

COM Room 209

12:30 - 1:30 p.m. Lunch on Your Own

1:30 - 3:00 p.m.

Spreadsheets III: Going Deeper with String Functions and **Formulas**

Instructor: Joshua Hatch, Assistant Managing Editor for Data and Interactives, Chronicle of Higher Education and Chronicle of Philanthropy

Learning Objective: Understand advanced functions and formulas for spreadsheet analysis

COM Room 209

3:00 - 3:15 p.m. Break

3:15 - 4:45 p.m.

Visual Analytic Tools: Key (Free) Programs to Dissect Your Data

Instructor: Phoebe Wong, Research Analyst, Legendary **Analytics**

Learning Objective: Analyze your data visually

COM Room 209

4:45 - 5:00 p.m.

Summary of Today's Lessons, Practice Exercises and Evaluations COM Room 209

THURSDAY, JUNE 7 / DAY 4: VISUALIZING YOUR DATA

9:00 - 10:30 a.m.

Visual Storytelling with Data: The Fundamentals

Instructor: Wayne Snyder, Boston University, Associate Professor of Computer Science

Learning Objective: Understand key visualization concepts CAS 313

10:30 - 10:45 a.m. Break

10:45 - 12:30 p.m.

Visualizing with Spreadsheets: Adding Value to Your Story with **Understandable Data Graphics**

Instructor: Phoebe Wong, Research Analyst, Legendary

Learning Objective: Utilize key visualization functions with spreadsheets - charts, graphs and more

CAS 313

12:30 - 1:30 p.m. Lunch on Your Own

1:30 - 3:00 p.m.

Mapping Bootcamp 101

Instructor: Shawn Goulet, Geospatial Developer, Cape Cod

Learning Objective: Master basic mapping principles and skills

CAS 313

3:00 – 3:15 p.m. **Break**

3:15 - 4:45 p.m.

Data Stories with Interactive Timelines

Instructor: Lydia Zurow, Producer, Kaiser Health News Learning Objective: Generate time sequencing of your data

CAS 313

4:45 - 5:00 p.m.

Summary of Today's Lessons, Practice Exercises and **Evaluations**

CAS 313

FRIDAY, JUNE 8 / DAY 5: **DATA NARRATIVE: HOW TO TELL YOUR STORY**

9:00 - 10:30 a.m.

Data Verification: How to Bulletproof Your Story

Instructor: Roberto Rocha, Data Journalist, CBCMontreal Learning Objective: Spot and solve data problems in your story before you hit send

COM Room 209

10:30 - 10:45 a.m. Break

10:45 - 12:30 p.m.

Data Narrative Studio

Instructor: Workshop Staff

Learning Objective: Interact one-on-one with instructors and coaches on storytelling challenges

COM Room 209

12:30 - 2:00 p.m.

Catered Lunch and Presentation: Framing the Narrative: How Data Forms Your Storyline

Instructor: Workshop Staff

Learning Objective: Understand how to craft a powerful data-

driven narrative COM Room 209

2:00 - 3:30 p.m.

Data+Narrative Lightning Showcase

Our Finale Data+Narrative Storytelling Contest Will Feature Attendees Presenting Their Data Stories; Prizes to the Top

Three Data Storytellers of the Week! **Learning Objective**: See how much we have achieved during this workshop

COM Room 209

3:30 - 4:00 p.m.

Final Wrap-Up and Evaluations

COM Room 209