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Subject: a joint TAPS / Methods Core seminar with Dr. Andrew Curtis NEXT Tuesday March 24, 2015; 2-4pm
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Dear TAPS fellows and Methods Core participants,

This month we are very lucky to have Andrew Curtis, PhD present to us at our monthly seminar.

Mapping the Impossible: Geospatial Approaches for Challenging Environments

Time and Location: Tuesday, March 24, 2015; 2 – 4 PM
(new) McKusick Conference room #3700
Mission Hall, 3rd floor
4th Street at 550 16th Street
San Francisco, CA 94158

Andrew Curtis, PhD is the Director of the GIS, Health and Hazards Lab and Associate Professor in the Department of Geography at Kent State University. He is also a former Director of the World Health Organization Collaborating Center for Remote Sensing and GIS for Public Health. His work employs novel geospatial technologies and analytical methods to support neighborhood scale intervention strategies primarily focused on reducing health disparities. Projects include collaborations with different Public Health departments and neighborhood groups within the United States, with recent topical areas including diabetes, infant health, sexually transmitted infections and injury prevention. His international work includes collaborations in the most challenging environments of Bangladesh, Haiti, Kenya, and Malawi. In the United States his projects utilize spatial video built environment assessments to capture dynamic change. Added to this are geonarratives; environment inspired dialogue that can be mapped and analyzed to provide contextual insight to hotspot mapping. Case study examples will include; predicting where to sample for cholera in a Haitian town; mapping slum environments in Bangladesh; the health and crime nexus in Akron, Ohio; mapping the homeless in Los Angeles; and the spatial challenges faced in sexually transmitted infection research in Los Angeles. He will conclude with a brief overview of the confidentiality challenges facing fine scale geographic health research.



You can check Dr. Curtis website at
<http://www2.kent.edu/cas/geography/people/~acurti13/>

hope many of you can attend.

In addition, Dr. Curtis has generously agreed to meet with individual scientist either before or after the seminar. If you would like such a consultation, please email both [Estie Hudes](#) and [Louisa Holmes](#) with a time preference, and we'll get back to you with confirmation. The length of time will depend on how many people sign up. The available time for consultation is 10 – 12 or 4-5, on March 24.

Regards,
--Estie

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