



GTCM Faculty Development Workshop Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

1. What is the Geospatial Technology Competency Model (GTCM)? The GTCM is the latest competency model developed by the Department of Labor's Employment Training Administration (DOLETA). You can read details about the model [here](#).
2. Is this a faculty development workshop or course development workshop? Both, since we need to first familiarize our participants with the GTCM and then use that knowledge to help us develop our model course outlines.
3. Do I have to attend the conference and the workshop both? No. We design the workshops around two high quality geospatial conferences to allow you the most professional development for the dollar and time commitment. You are not required to attend the conference to participate in the workshop (but it's highly recommend).
4. Do I have to attend all the required webinars? Yes! As a member, we need your full participation throughout the remainder of 2011 in order to complete our mission and deliverables on time and with the highest possible fidelity.
5. What is the travel stipend meant to cover? The \$1000 travel stipend is to cover your transportation costs to the workshop, regardless of how you travel. This includes ground transportation and any meals not covered in the workshop. No receipts are required, since we are providing a flat rate payment sufficient to cover reasonable costs.
6. What is the participation stipend meant to cover? The \$250 participation stipend is meant to compensate your professional time to assist us in creating the model course outlines and locating resources for the clearinghouse. It is payable once we receive your deliverable.
7. What model courses are we developing? We are planning to design two related courses: a gateway GIS awareness course (for non-majors and general education) and a GIS technology course (for majors and technicians). Both will be based on the competencies identified in the GTCM.
8. What are these course outlines used for? The model course outlines provide the basis for new or modified introductory GIS courses at two year colleges nationwide. The outlines may be used by faculty and/or course developers to create a new course, or modify an existing course, that meets the GTCM guidelines.
9. Where can I find out more information regarding the workshop? You can find all the documents and information on the [GeoTech website](#).