Call for Proposals

Deadline: 1 April 2024

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The Shapiro Digital History Seminar invites proposals for sessions in its 2024-2025 series. The Seminar introduces audiences to the inner workings of in-progress projects that depend on digital methods, such as the translation of analog primary sources to a digital format, the use of computational tools for research and analysis of historical data, and the creation of “publications” in any form of digital media to communicate with audiences. The series emphasizes engagement with archival source materials, and presentations include works intended for academic scholarship and/or for public history. Attendees are encouraged to provide feedback, and presenters usually recommend review of circulated materials before the session meeting. Sessions may take place virtually, in person, or in a hybrid format as conditions allow.

We invite proposals (500 words) and CVs (3 pages maximum) from interested researchers. In your proposal, please indicate when your paper can be available for distribution, as well as your preference (fall or spring) based on when the seminar’s feedback would be helpful to you. Advise us of any special scheduling conditions, such as a planned trip to Boston, an extended period when you cannot make a presentation, or if you would prefer to present remotely. The steering committee will consider all proposals for the available session slots, and proposers will be notified by early summer.

Please submit your proposals by 1 April 2024, to seminars@masshist.org.

We look forward to receiving your proposal!