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GPS WORKSHOPS OFFERED AT WESTERN

St. Joseph, Mo. — March 17, 2004— The office of continuing education will hold two upcoming three-day Certified User Mapping Global Positioning Systems (GPS) workshops in May.

The workshops, which are open to the public, will be held May 19-21 and May 25-27 from 8 a.m.–5 p.m. daily. Because each workshop is limited to 10 participants and fills quickly, early registration is suggested.

Participants of the workshop will use commercial mapping-grade GPS receiver systems. The workshop will cover basic concepts of the GPS system, as well as basic operation of data loggers, receivers and antennas. The workshop will be a mix of lectures, demonstrations, hands-on computer activities and field exercises with GPS equipment and software.

Interested participants should register at the office of continuing education in the Leah Spratt Multipurpose Classroom Building, room 105, or call (816) 271-4100. Cost is \$499 plus fees for credit and \$499 for noncredit. No prior experience in GPS is required.

For more information contact Dr. Cary Chevalier, professional certified trainer in GPS mapping and director of GPS mapping-navigation program, biology department, at (816) 271-4252 or cchev@mwsc.edu.

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