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WESTERN PROFESSOR TO TEACH GPS WORKSHOP

St. Joseph, Mo. —Dec. 19, 2006—Missouri Western State University’s Dr. Cary Chevalier, associate professor of biology and certified Trimble Navigation trainer, will teach a three-day workshop entitled “Introduction to Global Positioning Systems (GPS) for Mapping and Navigation,” Jan. 9-11. The workshop is limited to a maximum number of 10 participants to ensure quality instruction and personal attention. If you are interested, reserve your place as soon as possible.

The course is designed with no prior knowledge in GPS required or expected. The workshop will train on Trimble Geo CE-XT mobile Geographic Information Systems (GIS) GPS units with Terrasync Pro software. Members of the course will use Pathfinder Office integration software and will learn to use Bluetooth wireless communication, WAAS real-time differential and Coast Guard Beacon real-time differential.

Anyone who needs to know how to gather GIS-level mapping GPS data, correct it and export it into a GIS is encouraged to attend. This includes people of law enforcement backgrounds, natural resource management, research involving geospatial-type data, urban planning/management, emergency providers or anyone else who needs to know

how this data is collected and manipulated. Professionals as well as students who anticipate going into fields that use geospatial data are welcome to attend.

A second three-day workshop will be offered in March.

For details including course content and instructions on how to register, visit www.wi.missouriwestern.edu/Seminars/gps_gis/index.html, or call 816-271-4100 for more information.

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