SINCLAIR

Course name: **ENG 1201:** English Composition II
             GEO 1107: Intro to Geographic Information Systems
Division: Liberal Arts, Communication & Social Sciences (**LCS**)
Project: Walk Dayton
Community Partner: Five Rivers Metropark
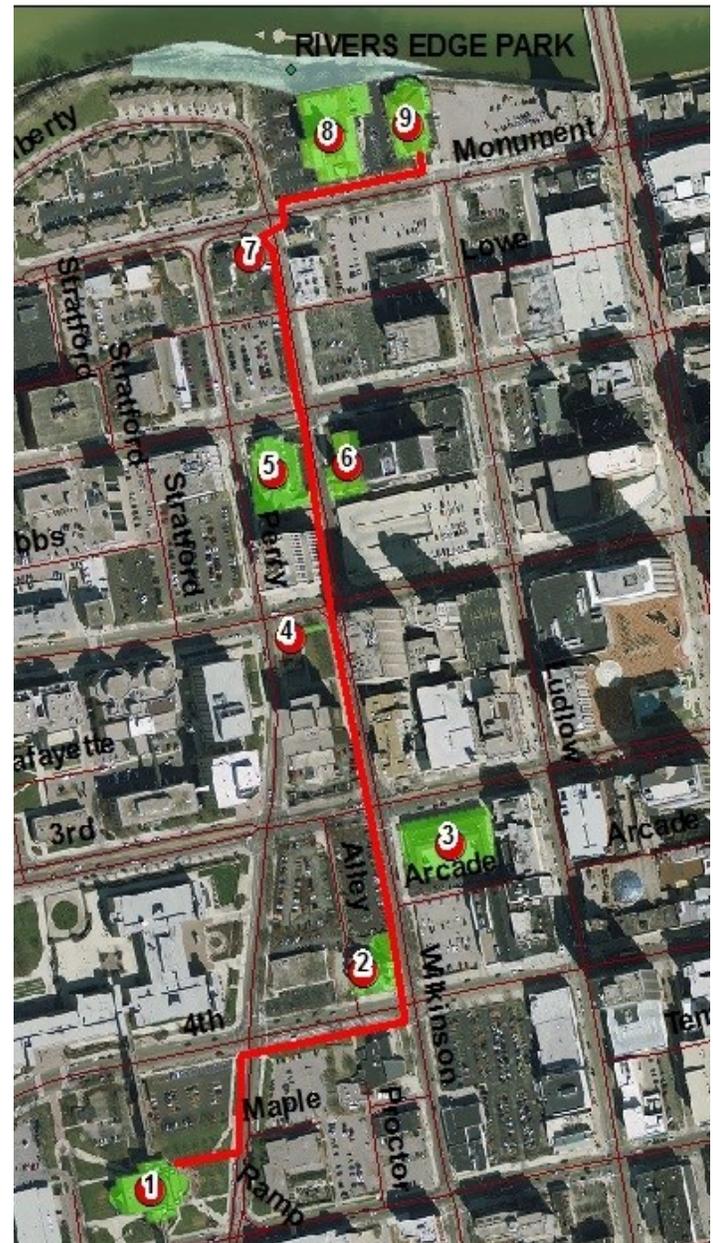
WHY DID WE DO THIS PROJECT?

This was a class project which required the students to conduct fieldwork in downtown Dayton. It was a semester long process and during that time students interacted (formally and informally) with various stakeholders to better understand the 'place' of downtown Dayton. Working on interdisciplinary teams, students came up with an idea that focused their project. Time in class was set aside to hold team meetings, walk in the area, collect data, and work on the final product. Maps were created by the GIS students and ENG students wrote a creative non-fiction one-page essay that told a story that accompanied the map of the walking path.

"WALKING IS MAN'S BEST MEDICINE."

HIPPOCRATES

LEARNING OBJECTIVE

Walking is the touted as one of the most popular forms of physical activity across the world. Still, walking has been on the decline in the United States. In this project, we learned about the benefits of a regular walk, explored downtown Dayton, and created maps and narratives that encourage walking. Collaborating in teams, our class worked through activities that helped to create walking paths that can be used by students, faculty, and staff to explore Dayton.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

This was a class project which required the students to conduct fieldwork in downtown Dayton. It was a semester long process and during that time students interacted (formally and informally) with various stakeholders to better understand the 'place' of downtown Dayton. Working on interdisciplinary teams, students came up with an idea that focused their project. Time in class was set aside to hold team meetings, walk in the area, collect data, and work on the final product. Maps were created by the GIS students and ENG students wrote a creative non-fiction one-page essay that told a story that accompanied the map of the walking path.

RESULTS

Profiles can be viewed online at **ctl.sinclair.edu**

(1) Sinclair Community College: Sinclair's first seven buildings(there are now 20+ buildings) were opened to students in 1972.

(2) Sacred Heart Church: This Church was erected in 1988. It features extravagant stained glass windows, a copper dome, and a limestone facade.

(3) The Old Post Office/ Federal Building: was built in 1915 with a neo-classic revival feel. Giving the nickname of: "The Grecian Lady of Third

(4) Hearts Hot Dogs: sits directly in front of the federal court building from 10-3pm Monday through Friday. They offer Chicago style hot dogs and other lunch favorites.

(5) Westminster Presbyterian Church: was completed in 1926. It is best known for the beautiful stained glass Tiffany windows and their traditional Christmas eve services.

(6) First Lutheran Church: is Dayton's oldest Lutheran Church. Originally founded in a small store room on Main St in 1839. It was finally erected in 1906.

(7) Dayton Peace Museum: was founded in 2004. It was the second peace museum to be established in the United States. The building it resides in dates back to 1876.

(8) The Old YMCA: The impressively large building was known as the second largest YMCA in the world when it was built in 1908. It is now "The landing" a luxury apartment complex.

(9) First Baptist Church of Dayton: It was completed in 1918. At one point they had over 7,500 members. this was also, the location of Orville Wrights funeral.

SUBMITTED BY:

Adrienne Cassel, Ph.D.
Professor of English
Sinclair Community College, Office 1.328
Adrienne.Cassel@sinclair.edu
937.512.2896

Jacqueline Housel, Ph.D.
Associate Professor of Geography
Sinclair Community College, Office 11.243B
Jacqueline.Housel@sinclair.edu
937.512.2547

LEARN AND SERVE
L
HIGHER EDUCATION