Project Background:
The “Research Commons” brought together several specialized service areas all onto one floor of Bobst Library. Business & Government Documents Librarians Science Librarians Technologists in Data Services and the Digital Studio Suddenly we had patrons coming to the same place for many stages of the research life-cycle:  
• searching for (or collecting/generating) data and statistics  
• accessing software packages for analysis, mapping, and visualization of data  
• figuring out how to store, save, or share that research 
We started to see an obvious need to define and explain this process (for ourselves and for our patrons) and how each of our service points can help at an individual and collaborative level.

Our Approach:  
A collaborative class that started a discussion about the data life-cycle and how we can support each stage!

Data Life-Cycle Workshop
Learning Objectives:  
• Share a baseline vision for defining and understanding the “data life-cycle”  
• Provide a clear picture of how different library services and resources are in support of the data life-cycle
Results:  
• Stand-alone workshop for graduate students  
• Shorter “module” that can be adapted to other Data Services workshops and related library classes