Greeting Students,

"It has begun!" [Shang Tsung, Mortal Kombat (1995)]

I hope this message finds you well.

The baton from Tatiana has been passed on to me. Welcome to the Data Analysis Project for GIF1! The entire team—Luc Wilson, Salma Al-Zadjali, Emma Murphy, Michael Xiao, and I—are excited and looking forward to supporting you in the upcoming Statistics and GIS workshops after reading week. More information about these workshops will be sent out then. For now, this email focuses on your field trip to Barcelona (or London) and provides an overview of the data collection aspects for the Urban Project and GIS workshop.

To help you prepare, I’ve created an online resource containing all the necessary information, including guidance notes and demonstration videos, for downloading and using the required smartphone applications (Google Earth App and Strava) for data collection. The full resources are hosted on this webpage [**[Introduction to GIS]**](https://uclpg-msc-sgds.github.io/GEOG0013-GIS/index.html) (available on Moodle under the re*ading section titled “*Project worksheets for Coasts, Rivers, and Urban projects in Spain”). For now, the main go-to section for preparing for the field trip is here: [**Part 1: Data Collection for Field Trip**](https://uclpg-msc-sgds.github.io/GEOG0013-GIS/part-1-data-collection-for-field-trip.html).

Please take the time to review the materials and videos on data collection and install Google Earth and Strava on your phones in advance. Also, try using the apps a bit before heading out!

Thank you, and good luck! I will follow-up with another message on tips on workflow with the apps, and teamwork.

Best wishes,

Anwar.