



Who Are We?

ILGISA is a nonprofit, professional association of individuals, led by an elected board of directors, who use GIS in their work. Primarily working for government agencies, members include those who are in management positions, as well as those who hold more technical jobs. As a nonprofit association, we strive to provide high quality; low cost programs that keep our membership informed and help them to continue to develop professionally. ILGISA's membership includes:

- ◆ resource conservationists
 - ◆ planners
 - ◆ county engineers
 - ◆ land surveyors
 - ◆ university professors
 - ◆ soil scientists
 - ◆ cartographers
 - ◆ engineers
 - ◆ GIS managers
 - ◆ assessors
- and many others who use GIS in their daily work.*

What Do We Do?

We Sponsor Conferences

Each year, we sponsor two conferences (one in the Chicago metro area and one in central Illinois). These events provide an opportunity for participants to interact with fellow professionals in their field, to hear presentations on the latest developments in GIS, to view state of the art GIS applications, and visit with commercial exhibitors. Half- and full-day workshops are offered in conjunction with conferences, allowing an opportunity to examine specific issues in depth.

These seminars have ranged from an introduction to GIS to special topics relating to the use of GIS in the Public Safety arena. Occasionally, ILGISA also hosts additional conferences in various locations around the state.

We Publish a Newsletter & Membership Directory

Illinois GIS Notes is the newsletter publication of ILGISA. *Illinois GIS Notes*, published twice a year, includes in-depth papers on a wide variety of topics, short articles about the activities of the association, and other news pertinent to members



What Are Our Plans for the Future?

We have organized a number of committees to expand our services to members. Among our goals is to increase opportunities for students looking to enter the GIS field, to enhance our communications efforts via the web, and to expand our membership through an aggressive recruitment effort. Committees have been organized to implement these goals. New ideas are always welcome!

Memberships

All memberships are for one calendar year and expire on December 31 each year. Annual dues renewals are invoiced at the beginning of each calendar year and must be paid in full by March 31 of that year or will be considered lapsed.

Regular Membership\$50

Available to individuals interested in GIS. Each member will have access to an electronic, downloadable copy of the directory, newsletter and all ILGISA mailings. Special member rates are available for all conferences and seminars.

Student Membership\$10

Available to any full-time student enrolled in a post-secondary institution and interested in GIS. A letter on institution letterhead from a department chair verifying student status is required with the application.

Membership Benefits

- ◆ Receive the ILGISA Newsletter
- ◆ Learn about all ILGISA activities
- ◆ Receive reduced rates at ILGISA conferences and seminars
- ◆ Opportunities to network with other GIS professionals working in federal, state, local governments and universities in Illinois
- ◆ Opportunity to build on your knowledge base and exchange ideas and information with others in similar positions
- ◆ Invited to serve on committees which develop and manage ILGISA activities, including publications and conferences



Membership Application

Please complete the form below and return to:

**ILGISA, Center for Governmental Studies
Northern Illinois University**

DeKalb, IL 60115-2854.

Check should be payable to ILGISA.

Questions? Call Tracy Rogers at 815-753-2090.

Name: _____

Title: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

E-mail: _____

Regular Membership (include check for \$50 made out to ILGISA)

Student Membership (include proof and check for \$10 made out to ILGISA)

Interests (check all that apply)

- Environmental GIS
- Utility/Infrastructure
- Planning GIS
- Web Applications

- Tax/Parcel Mapping
- Census/Demographic GIS
- Public Health

Other: _____

Industry (check one)

- Local Government
- State Government
- Federal Government
- Regional Government
- County Government
- Quasi Government
- College/University
- GIS Vendor/Consultant
- Private Sector
- Utility Company
- Other: _____