**MassMine Project Assistant**

**Scott Nygren Scholars Studio (212 Library West, UF)[[1]](#footnote-1)**

**Pay Rate:** $14/hour

**Hours:** Monday-Friday, flexible hours between 8am-5pm, for 10-15 hours each week (total of 599 hours)

**Job Duties:** For this grant-funded position, the graduate student assistant will support the grant project: *MassMine Implementation: Collecting and Archiving Big Data for Social Media Humanities Researchers.* The MassMine Project Assistant will coordinate communication, schedule trainings (locally as well as video conference and webinar trainings at Clemson and other locations), gather feedback from users based on their needs and experiences with MassMine for humanities research, and serve as the primary contact for the Testing Group for specific concerns on data research practices and modalities, including developing research questions, software and methodological assistance, discussion of data acquisition strategies for statistical needs, and intellectual goals. The Project Assistant will also serve as a core contact for all scholars using and testing MassMine hosted on UF Research Computing’s servers. The Project Assistant will support the initial train-the-trainers sessions with other members of the Project Team, providing the foundational training and ongoing support for project team members on using MassMine and providing critical context on data research in the humanities.

The MassMine Project Assistant will work from the Scott Nygren Scholars Studio, supporting: 1) user testing processes to gather feedback from humanities researchers to inform changes and improvements in MassMine for humanities research needs; and, 2) supporting the MassMine training program. All duties focus on MassMine, and are done in collaboration with the full project team. Specific duties may include and are not limited to:

* Supporting MassMine consultation during open lab hours, and by appointment
* Helping plan, coordinate, facilitate, and deliver MassMine trainings (at UF and delivered remotely to Clemson and other institutions via video conferencing, webinars, etc.); liaising to support development of training sessions by scholars on MassMine within the specifics of their research projects, teaching assignments, classes, etc.
* Coordinating, facilitating, and leading collaborative planning and development sessions for data research in the humanities with MassMine, including developing research questions
* As a member of the project team, creating and maintaining training materials web pages, documentation, and promotional materials on MassMine

**Minimum Requirements:** Knowledge about and interest in data research in the humanities; humanities graduate research experience; knowledge of data curation and mining practices and tools, including APIs; knowledge of data research in the humanities focused on Twitter and social media data as well as web data; a good attitude and professional demeanor; and willingness to work independently and collaboratively.

1. The Scott Nygren Scholars Studio is a new, evolving space in the UF Smathers Libraries, with an official opening to be planned for 2014-15. The Studio is a BYOD (bring your own device) space with rolling tables for flexible room layouts to support collaboration, training, presentation, and consultation on digital humanities and digital pedagogy. The Studio is hosted space in Library West with events and activities approved, scheduled, and managed by the Libraries, and with upcoming activities and workshops posted to the calendar. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)