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Session 2 (2hr. 30min.): Social Software
- Dividing up tasks: scholarly primitives and community types
- Building a seven-component social toolkit
- Project #1: Constructing multi-social SAMR ladders

WEDNESDAY
Session 3 (4hr.): Mobility and Digital Storytelling
Part I: Mobility
- Deriving information from the world: GPS and other sensors
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- Spaces, mobility, and learning
- Project #2: SAMR and augmented reality

Part II: Digital Storytelling
- A visual lexicon for digital storytelling
- Text and image: connections and contrasts
- Digital stories and the social domain
- Project #3: SAMR ladders for social storytelling

Session 4 (1hr. 45min.): Educational Gaming
- The structure of games and the structure of learning
- Designing for learning/designing for gaming
- Project #4: Using game design principles in SAMR design

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Session 5 (4hr.): Visualization
- Five essential categories of visualization tools
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