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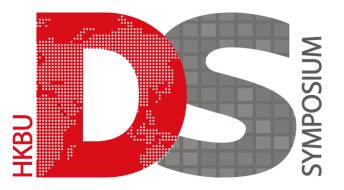
# Must we Define the Digital Humanities?

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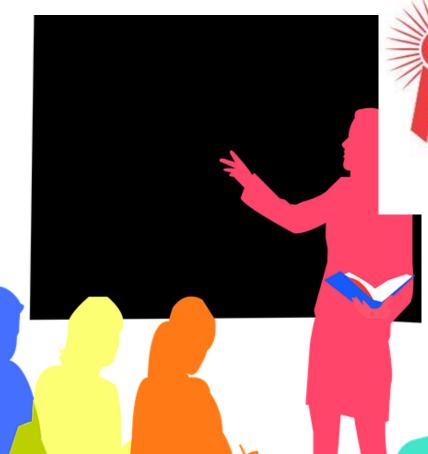
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### Teaching and Learning





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#### Mapping Historical Texts in the Classroom: The Anatolian Travelers Project

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#### Ephesus, founded the most importa

Ephesus, founded in the 10th century BCE, was the most important Greek city in Ionian Asia Minor. It was a centre of travel and commerce, with one of the greatest seaports of the ancient world, which commanded the west end of one great trade route into Asia, that along the Cayster valley, and had easy access to the other two, along the Hermus (Gediz) and the Maeander (Büyükmenderes) rivers.

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#### **Dublin Core**

#### Title

The Library of Celsus (Ephesus)

#### Description

The Library of Celsus was built around 117 CE by Tiberius Julius Acquila in commemoration of his father, Tiberius Julius Celsus Polemaeanus, who had been, from 105 to 107 CE, the Roman proconsul of Ephesus, the then capital of Rome's Asian province. With over 12,000 scrolls, it was one of the most impressive buildings in the Roman city of Ephesus and served also as a monumental tomb for Celsus himself.

#### Source

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#### Anatolica

or The Journal of a Visit to some of the Ancient Ruined Cities of Caria, Phrygia, Lycia, and Pisidia

#### By Edwin John Davis

#### 1874

- Edwin John Davis was a British Episcopalian chaplain who resided in Alexandria. He traveled throughout Asia Minor as an observer and this account details one of his journey as well as his scholarly comparisons between the various regions. -

#### Smyrna to Aidin (p. 22-64)

#### April 23.

(pg. 24) We left Smyrna for Aiasolouk . The railway passes round the base of Mount Pagus, through some deep cuttings in the volcanic rock, and enters the plain of Boujah...

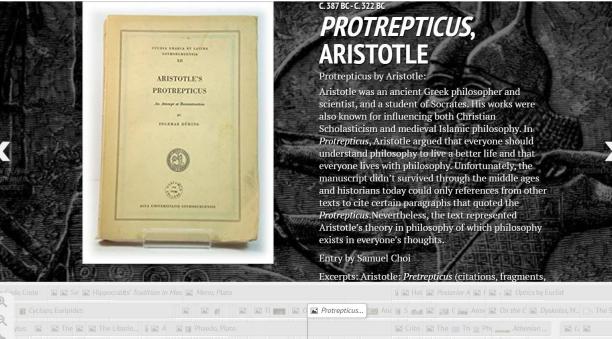
(pg. 25) Beyond Boujah, is the large village of Sedikeui, with a magnificent grove of cypresses near it. Here the plain, which is only in part under culture, begins to open, and its dark red soil is evidently very fertile...

(pg. 28) The railway here passes under the stupendous rock-precipices of Alaman Dagh (Mount Galesion). High above, on a precipitous peak of the mountain, stands the Kedji Kalesy (Groat's Fort), supposed to have been one of the ancient Persian watch-towers. The railroad passes close under it, and alongside the rapid and turbid stream of the Cayster, now much swollen by the late rain.

(pg. 29) At mid-day the train arrived at Aiasolouk .

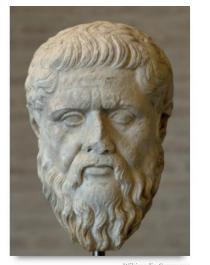
(pg. 32) From the foot of the hill of Aiasolouk the marshy plain of the Cayster extends without interruption to the sea. On the north the offsets of Galesus bound it, and on the south the long ridge of Coressus . Immediately in front and projecting into the plain is the hill of Prion — the site of ancient Ephesus.

#### HKU History 2136: The Graeco-Roman World: From Homer to Augustus



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Wikimedia Common Head of Platon, Roman copy. The original was exhibited at the Academy after the death of the philosopher (348/347 BC).

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#### 385 BCE - 370 BCE SYMPOSIUM, PLATO

Plato's Symposium is the account of a gathering in the house of the Athenian tragic poet Agathon to celebrate his first victory in 416 BC in one of the great dramatic festivals of the city. It looks back to a remarkable period in Athenian history, shortly before the city undertook a major military expedition to Sicily which was to end in disaster.

The story is narrated by one Apollodorus, a follower of Socrates, to a group of acquaintances. The conversation between Apollodorus and the anonymous acquaintances is imagined to have taken place is left somewhat hazy. The final part of the text is illuminated by the brilliant figure of Alcibiades, who dominated Athenian political life in the closing years of the Peloponnesian War. The symposium in private houses is one of the most familiar features of the male social culture of archaic and classical Greece. The

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# Digitization

- Databases
- Imagery
- 3D models
- Spatial data

## Sharing

- Websites
- Extended Reality (XR)

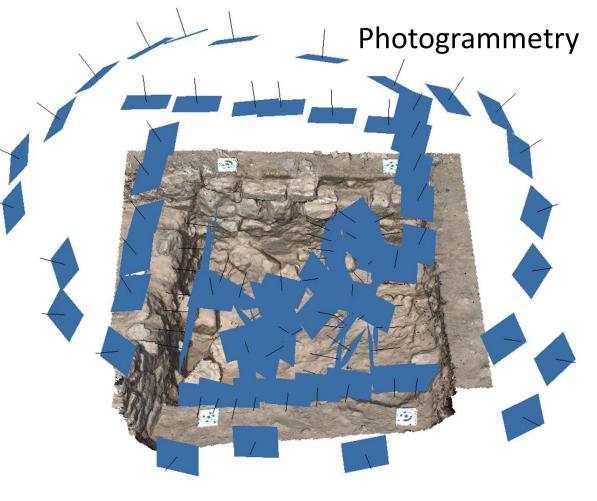


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differential Global Navigation Satellite Systems (dGNSS)



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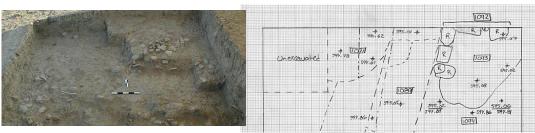
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### Open Science



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#### Context: Turkey / Kenan Tepe / Area C / Trench 1 / Locus 1002 (Locus)

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#### github.com/anatolian

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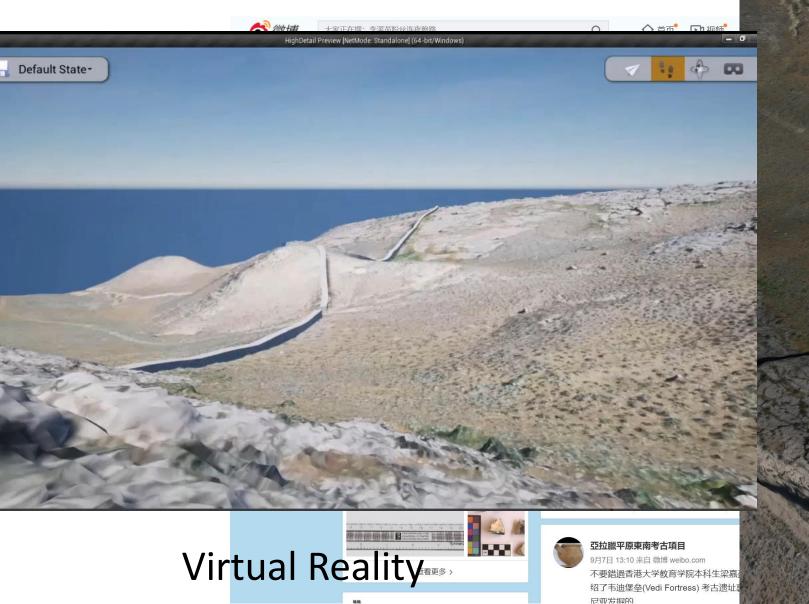
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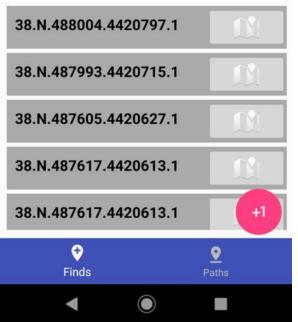
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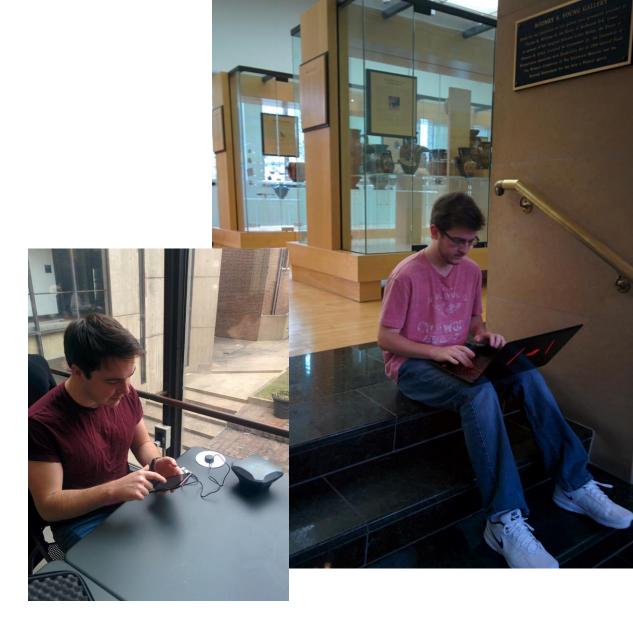
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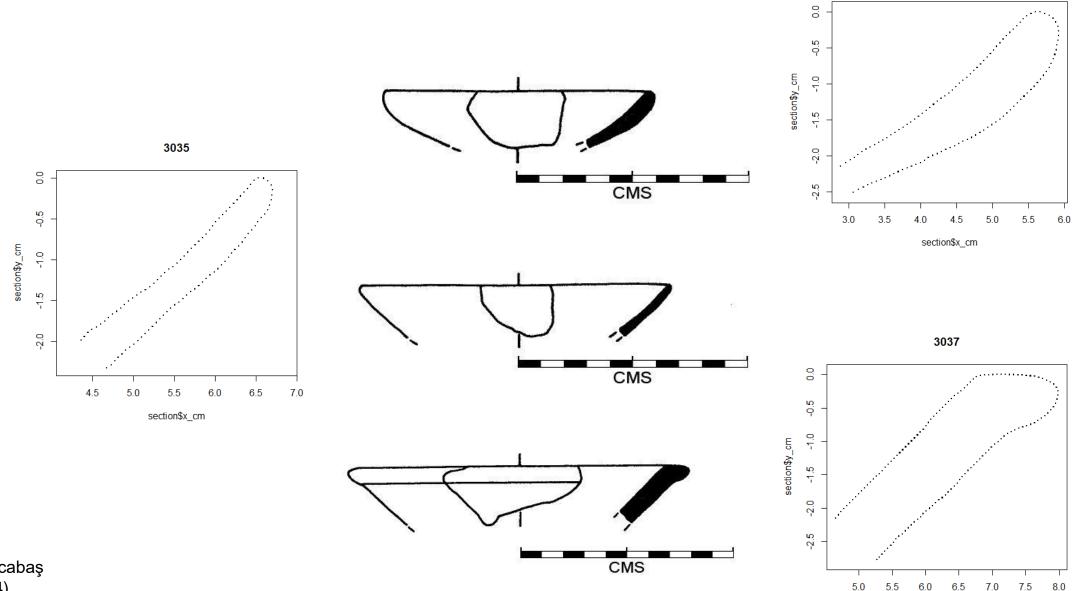


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### Interdisciplinary Research



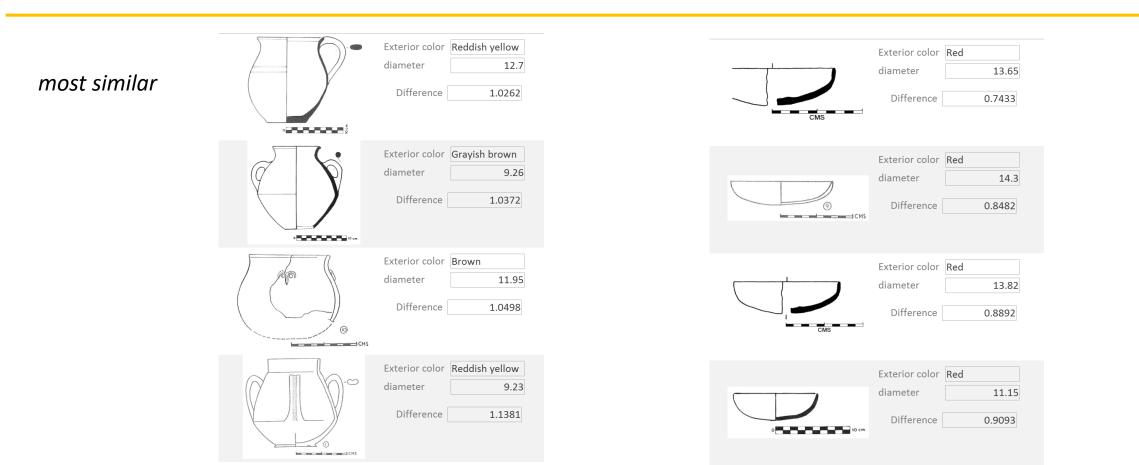
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### Interdisciplinary Research





### Transdisciplinary

- pushing beyond individual disciplines to solve problems that neither can address alone
- identifying problems that can generate original research in both archaeology and computer science

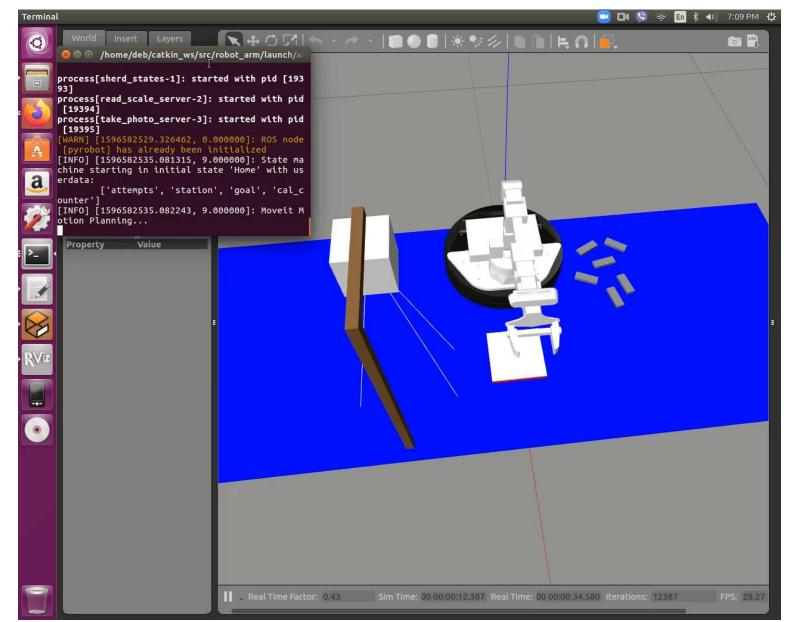
Challenges:

- communication: different vocabularies and working cultures
- finding research topics in both fields

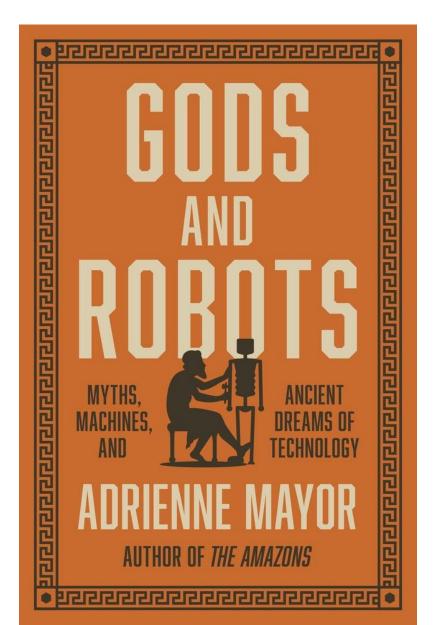
### Transdisciplinary

Robot arm to weigh, photograph, and (eventually) 3d scan ceramic sherds

Project team: Deborah Wang Brandon Lutz Dr. Philip Dames Temple University (Philadelphia, USA)



### Humanities critiques of technology



I hope that we all embrace DH so completely that DH no longer exists.