

# Global Land Cover Facility Host Visitors

The university recently opened a [NASA](#)-supported facility for helping scientists, students and others access and use the massive and rapidly growing volume of satellite and other data on the earth's vegetative cover. The project, the latest of many collaborations between computer and earth system scientists on campus, is providing many new database tools and products including a powerful new database architecture, an easy-to-use computer screen interface and new data sets on Amazonian rain forests and coastal wetlands.



Pictured to the right, standing in front of the new facility's super computers, are, from left to right, project leaders John Townsend, professor of geography, and Joseph Ja' Ja', director of the Institute for Advanced Computer Studies.

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