A Carpentries Culture at the University of Florida

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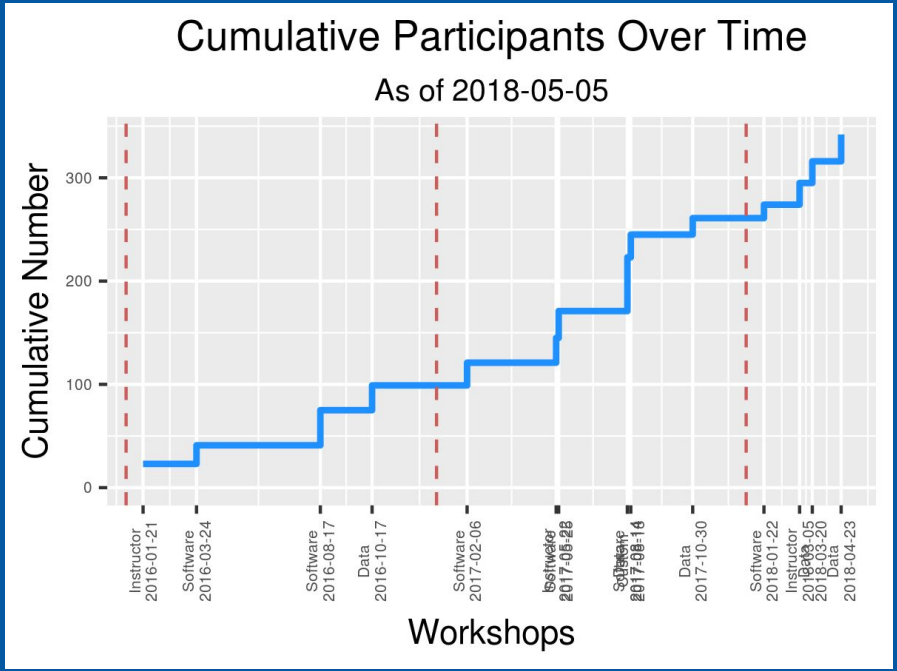
Carpentries activities at UF

UF has a deep history with Software and Data Carpentry

- Instructors/helpers in first Data Carpentry workshop
- Hosted 2nd Data Carpentry

Since 2016 we have hosted 15 workshops

- Over 340 attendees
- Trained 68 new instructors



The key to this progress?

Empowering dedicated individuals, providing autonomy and opportunity

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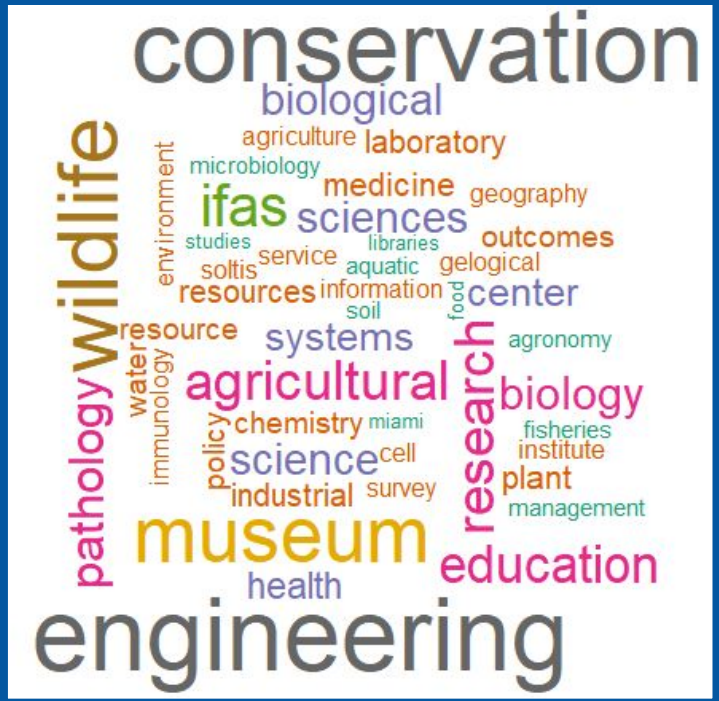
Providing Opportunities

- Regularly organizing workshops
- Alternative structures (semester course and weekly episodes)
- Hosted local meetup for April 2018 Bug BBQ
- Outreach/integration other organization (UF DSI, UF R Meetup)
- Running workshops outside of our main campus
- Supporting travel grants for instructors/helpers
- Creating information infrastructure (GitHub, website)

Moving Forward

Focus on supporting organizational sustainability and improving access

- Identifying gaps in involvement amongst disciplines
- Diversifying support across campus
  - Identifying incentives, values
- Outreach and community building, connecting with other universities



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