

Foundations of Digital Preservation and Ethical Documentation



The Ethics of the Digital Twin

On September 10, 2025, Prof. Quintero’s opening lecture, “Cultural Heritage Documentation: Ethical Considerations, Technologies, and Challenges”, established that documentation was essential for preserving sites threatened by environmental factors, armed conflict, and neglect. He outlined the complexities of planning, data acquisition, and tool selection, while emphasizing that technical proficiency must be accompanied by ethical considerations — among them community engagement, data ownership, and the responsible use of digital technologies. These documentation methods, he argued, were not ends in themselves but served broader strategies of resilience and adaptive reuse.