Before you start digging ...

- Configure your iPads as described in "How to Prepare the iPads for the Field"
- Note that KioskBridge is in beta test phase. For known issues look at the Kiosk Bridge Users Manuals.
- You find the latest docs (and video tutorials) on https://sites.brown.edu/kiosk/docs/. We update them constantly, so use them right off the website whenever you can. You also find a version of the docs from before you left for the field on your backup drive under /docs

First Start of the Kiosk Server

- Make sure that you don't have a ton of apps running in the background on MacOS.
 Things like Adobe software, Browsers etc. eat up resources and processor speed. It makes sense to restart your machine if things seem too slow.
- **Switch off Wifi**. (Always make sure that WiFi is turned off while you run the virtual machine and NEVER connect the server itself to the WiFi "kiosknet").
- Once Kiosk is up you should see a blue window with some green (or in older versions red) message at the end telling you to what IP address Kiosk is listening.
- That should be something like **192.168.8**.2. If it does not start with 192.168 the machine won't work. Memorize that ip address. Should Kiosk not respond to http://kiosk when you navigate to it in the browser, you can try the ip address instead like so: http://192.168.8.2.
- Make sure your backup drive is available as Z:. Otherwise consult the Admin Q&A on how to prepare your backup drive.

Check date and time of your Kiosk Server

- It is crucial to have the same date, time and time zone settings on your Kiosk Server and your iPads. Make sure all devices are set to the local time of your excavation area. Please always consult the short manual on how to set up the iPads for the field.
- To set the date and time for your Kiosk Server on Windows use Windows-Key+X, "Settings" and type "date" in the search field. Windows will offer "Change the date and time". Use that to change your date and time. Don't use the automatic time adjustment, it is not reliable. Set date, time and time zone manually. You can leave the setting for daylight savings on auto.
- Leave the settings: You are ready for your first contact to Kiosk.

First Contact to Kiosk

- Take an iPad or computer and connect it to the kiosknet Wi-Fi (avoid the 2.4G version unless you have a rather old device).
- Fire up a browser and go to the address http://kiosk. The kiosk login should appear.
- If that's not the case try the ip address you find on the Windows desktop (the same that is shown by Kiosk after it started) like this: http://192.168.8.2

Shut down

- ALWAYS shut down the Kiosk Server before you plug out equipment.
- Shut down the Kiosk sever when not in use rather than just going to sleep mode. You might experience connection issues with the latter (no harm can come from trying, though)
- As is general the case: ALWAYS eject the hard drives from your Windows Host OS (so not the one in the virtual machine because that should be powered off already) before you unplug them. If you don't know how to do that, either just shut down the whole computer and unplug while it is off or read the instructions on the topic in our Answers to questions manual doc: "How to eject a usb hard drive on Windows PROPERLY".