



“Challenges to Democracy”

The Warren A. Nord Teachers' Seminar



Offered by:

The Program in the Humanities & Human Values and the NC Civic Education Consortium

School of Government, Knapp-Sanders Building, UNC-Chapel Hill
Monday, July 11th – Wednesday, July 13th

OVERVIEW:

Lee Hamilton said regarding American democracy, *“Our democracy is not a product but a continual process. It is preserved not by monuments but deeds. Sometimes it needs refining; sometimes it needs amending; sometimes it needs defending. Always, it needs improving.”* The Program in the Humanities & Human Values at UNC-Chapel Hill & the NC Civic Education Consortium are offering teachers the opportunity to analyze our democracy via a unique, three day exploration of the theme “Challenges to Democracy.” Through assorted lectures led by renowned professors and historians, participants will investigate the ways in which democracy has struggled and changed throughout various time periods. From scrutinizing a 1700s democracy that claimed “All men are created equal” while enslaving thousands of people, to discussing our democracy’s growing diversity, twenty participants will have a unique opportunity to examine our nation’s democratic principles through the lens of history and current events. Throughout the scholarly exploration of these topics, participants will also learn pedagogical strategies for teaching these issues in the middle and high school classroom. To access the tentative agenda, [click here](#).

FORMAT:

This three day seminar will include lectures from distinguished collegiate faculty, active exploration of lessons plans on related topics, as well as time to learn from and network with teachers from across the state. Participants’ discussions with faculty will be guided by topical readings from the humanities (which will be provided to participants in June); some of these readings will have direct applicability in the classroom while others are for scholarly growth. This seminar is best suited for teachers interested in expanding their own intellectual knowledge as life-long learners, as well as those seeking engaging ways to teach complicated history to middle and high school students.

FACULTY:

Guest lecturers will include:

- Paul Cuadros, Associate Professor of Journalism & Mass Communication and author of “A Home on the Field”
- Reginald Hildebrand, Associate Professor of History and Afro-American Studies
- Susan Harbage Page, Instructor in the Art Department and renowned photographer
- Freddie Parker, Professor of History
- David Schanzer, Associate Professor of the Practice for Public Policy and Director of the Triangle Center of Terrorism and Homeland Security
- Christie Hinson and Paul Bonnici of the NC Civic Education Consortium, will lead sessions on classroom pedagogy.

PARTICIPANTS WILL RECEIVE:

- 2.0 license renewal credits
- Meals—lunch each day (July 11 – July 13), dinner on July 11, and snacks
- Lodging the evening of July 11 & July 12 if you do not live locally
- Lesson plans from the NC Civic Education Consortium
- An autographed copy of A Home on the Field and curriculum for implementing the book in the middle/high school classroom; more information at: <http://www.time.com/time/nation/article/0,8599,1364206,00.html>
- Each participant's school will receive copy of the movie "The Response" and related curricular materials; more information at: <http://www.theresponsemovie.com/>

REGISTRATION

- Space is limited to 20 registrants. Priority registration will be given to first time applicants to "Challenges to Democracy." (Teachers who participated in last year's seminar should not apply.) Registrants must be able to participate in all hours of the entire three days of programming.
- The Seminar's topics and classroom resources will be most relevant for middle and high school social studies teachers; however, any current middle or high school teacher in North Carolina is eligible to attend.
- Due to the week-long nature of this Seminar, we must ensure attendance; therefore a \$75 **REFUNDABLE** deposit will be required in order to register. (Checks should be written to NC Civic Education Consortium.) Deposit checks **will not be cashed and will be returned** to participants on the first day of the Seminar. Registrants who must cancel and do so by July 5, 2011 will receive their un-cashed deposit check back in full.
- To register for this training, fill out the following application form and send the form, along with your \$75 refundable deposit check (payable to the NC Civic Education Consortium), to:

Anita Buie
NC Civic Education Consortium
CB#3330 Knapp Sanders Building
Chapel Hill, NC 27599

***Your registration is not final until your application form and deposit have been received and confirmation returned. If you have questions about the registration process, or do not receive confirmation back regarding your registration within 5 days of mailing it, please **contact Anita Buie at 919.843.2307.**

FUNDING:

We are pleased to offer this training free of charge to North Carolina's fabulous educators. Funding is generously provided by the **Warren A. Nord Fund for Teachers.**

Challenges to Democracy Registration Form

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Monday, July 11, 10:00 AM – Wednesday, July 13, 3:30 PM

Please note that filling out this form does not guarantee participation in this workshop. Space is limited and registration is based on the first applications and refundable deposits received at CB #3330, Chapel Hill, NC 27599 (attention Anita Buie). Upon receipt of your application, you will be notified via e-mail within two business days. If you have questions regarding your registration or have not received a response within one week of mailing, please call Anita Buie at (919) 843-2307.

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY and COMPLETE ALL INFORMATION:

Name: _____ Grade(s) Taught: _____

Course(s) Taught: _____

E-Mail 1: _____ E-mail 2: _____

Home Phone Number: _____ Cell: _____

Home Address: _____

City: _____ Zip Code: _____

School Name: _____ School Phone: _____

School Address: _____

City: _____ Zip Code: _____ County/District: _____

Who is/are the curriculum coordinator(s) for your subject area at your school or district?

Name: _____ Title: _____ E-mail: _____

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MEALS: If you have any dietary requirements (i.e. vegetarian or allergies), please describe:

HOTEL: If you do not live locally, lodging will be provided for you in Chapel Hill Monday, 7/11 and Tuesday night, 7/12. Would you like to request a hotel room? YES NO (PLEASE NOTE: Once you decline the hotel, we will not be able to reserve a room for you.)

DEPOSIT: I have included a \$75 check to serve as a "promise of attendance" deposit for this training. I understand that my check will NOT be cashed and will be handed back to me at the Seminar. I also understand that if I need to cancel, I must do so by **July 5th** or my \$75 deposit will be forfeited.

Signature

Date