

The Samford Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research (IGHR)

Website: <http://www.samford.edu/schools/ighr/>

The Samford *Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research (IGHR)* provides an educational forum for the discovery, critical evaluation, and use of genealogical sources and methodology through a week of intensive study led by nationally prominent genealogical educators. Students may choose one of the offered courses that range from a course for beginners to courses on specialized topics.

The institute is academically and professionally oriented and is cosponsored by the Board for Certification of Genealogists. The faculty is composed of outstanding nationally known genealogy educators. Begun in 1962, the institute regularly enrolls over 200 students from around the country.

Mission:

To provide an educational forum for the discovery, critical evaluation, and use of genealogical sources and methodology

Objectives:

1. To teach the fundamentals of genealogical research and methodology.
2. To teach research skills using a variety of resources and facilities.
3. To provide broad and in-depth historical and genealogical subject content.
4. To teach the evaluation of resources, proficiency in bibliographic citation, and critical analysis of documentation.
5. To provide instruction for those wishing to pursue careers in genealogy and related disciplines.

Dates: June 14-19, 2009

Course Offerings – 2009

1. Techniques and Technology-Coordinator: Pamela Boyer Sayre
This course is designed for the new or experienced researcher who seeks a review of fundamentals. Lectures, visuals, hands-on activities, and sessions in a courthouse, library and computer lab introduce the primary records and procedures essential for sound research of American home, local area, county, state, and federal sources.
2. Intermediate Genealogy and Historical Studies-Coordinator: Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck

This course is designed for students who have mastered basic record-keeping skills, can properly complete a pedigree, and have conducted extensive research in courthouses and genealogical and historical libraries. This course explores naturalization and immigration research, and court, military, pension and church records.
3. Research in the South, Part 2-Coordinator: Carolyn Earle Billingsley
This course is designed for the intermediate to advanced researcher. A solid understanding of genealogy basics is required to make use of the materials and concepts presented. Students must have experience in using census, county records, land records and general secondary records. Concepts addressed include migration, settlement patterns, religion, land, geography, politics and economics, kinship groups, and Native Americans.
4. Advanced Methodology and Evidence Analysis-Coordinator: Elizabeth Shown Mills
This course concentrates on problem solving techniques and advanced correlation of evidence for various types of records.
Prerequisites (your choice): completion of IGHR Course 2, Intermediate Genealogy and Historical Studies; completion of the 16-lesson NGS home-study course, *American Genealogy* ("graded" option, only); completion of the PLCGS program (Professional Learning Certificate in Genealogical Studies) from the National Institute for Genealogical Studies, University of Toronto; certification by BCG; or accreditation from ICAPGen. If you do not meet one of the prerequisites but would like to enroll in the advanced course, please submit a paper demonstrating skill level in research, documentation and evidence evaluation before March 1, 2009 to:
Elizabeth Mills
c/o IGHR, Samford University Library
800 Lakeshore Drive
Birmingham, AL 35229
5. Writing and Publishing for Genealogists-Coordinator-Thomas W. Jones
This course covers publishing on the Internet, writing articles for publication, organizing book materials, commercial publishing and other pertinent information for genealogical writing and publishing.
6. Professional Genealogy-Coordinator-Elissa Scalise Powell
This course covers publishing on the Internet, writing articles for publication, organizing book materials, commercial publishing and other pertinent information for genealogical writing and publishing.

7. Virginia: Her Records and Her Laws-Coordinator: Barbara Vines Little
This is one of two courses which will look at Virginia records and the law as it applies to those records. Students who are intermediate to advanced will gain the most from this in-depth exploration of specific Virginia record groups.
8. Understanding Land Records-Coordinator: Christine Rose
This is one of two courses which will look at Virginia records and the law as it applies to those records. Students who are intermediate to advanced will gain the most from this in-depth exploration of specific Virginia record groups.
9. Researching French Ancestors-Coordinator: Earl Charvet
10. Tracing Your English Ancestors-Coordinator: Paul Milner
The course is designed to provide an in-depth look at the fundamental sources for English research, then to move beyond them to explore the lesser used sources to both locate and put ancestors into historical context. Participants will have the opportunity to raise and examine their own English research problems.

Note: All classes are limited to only 25 registrants per class.

Evening Activities:

Monday June 15, 2009

Private Archives: What They Are and How to Use Them

Presented by [John Philip Colletta, Ph.D.](#)

6:00 - 7:15 p.m.

Brock Forum, Dwight Beeson Hall

Tuesday June 16, 2009

Certification: Procedures, Questions, and Answers

Presented by [Thomas Jones](#) and [Elissa Powell](#)

6:00 - 7:15 p.m.

Brock Forum, Dwight Beeson Hall

Wednesday June 17, 2009

State Archives: What They Are and How to Use Them

Presented by [John Philip Colletta, Ph.D.](#)

6:00 - 7:15 p.m.

Brock Forum, Dwight Beeson Hall

Thursday June 18, 2009 -- Banquet

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Presented by

6:30 p.m.

Cafeteria, University Center

Cost: January 1 - March 15, 2009

- Attendee -- \$425.00
- Spouse/Family Member -- \$375.00

March 16 - May 15, 2009

- Attendee -- \$475.00
- Spouse/Family Member -- \$425.00

May 16 - June 14, 2009

- Attendee -- \$500.00
- Spouse/Family Member -- \$475.00

Cancellations/Refunds

- Cancellation/refund requests must be submitted in writing before May 1, 2009 and will be subject to a \$75 cancellation fee.
- Any registration for which payment has not been received by May 1 will be cancelled and the \$75 cancellation fee applied.
- No refunds after May 1, 2009.

IGHR tuition includes one genealogy course, optional evening courses, Sunday dinner and the banquet Thursday evening. Listed below are the costs based upon date of registration.

***Please Note:** Payment must be received within 30 days to secure reservation. To receive the early registration discount, tuition must be paid in full by March 15. Any registration for which payment has not been received by May 1 will be cancelled and the \$75 cancellation fee applied. For registrations after May 1, tuition and housing/meal tickets (where applicable) must be paid in full no later than at the time of check-in/orientation.*

Housing On Campus

Housing details subject to change.

IGHR has been assigned to the Greek residence halls in West Campus -- click [here](#) for a map showing their location. We have used these halls in previous years. These are not suites; there is no common area or kitchenette. Each room contains:

- 2 beds
- 2 desks with chairs
- 2 dressers or chests of drawers
- 2 closet areas
- 1 bathroom
- AC unit control

There are phone jacks. Long distance calls are not allowed, except 800 numbers or by using a calling card. The floors are tile and not carpet.

Interior Views: We had the opportunity to visit the Greek residence halls, where a student was gracious enough to allow us to take a few pictures of her room. Click on the links below for the images.

- [Interior View #1](#)
- [Interior View #2](#)
- [Interior View #3](#)

We have been assured by Residence Life that all beds will be returned to their normal state before the start of IGHR.

We will make every reasonable effort to honor suitemate requests by placing attendees in adjacent rooms.

Private Room: \$285.00 Sunday afternoon to Friday afternoon

Shared Room: \$215.00 Sunday afternoon to Friday afternoon

- You must provide your own soap and linens: sheets, pillows, towels, and blankets.
- Housing cost includes meals in the University Cafeteria.
- Meal tickets, parking passes and residence hall keys can be picked up on Sunday at registration in the Library.
- There is no provision made for early check-in or late check-out.
- There is no provision made for housing on campus either the Saturday night before or Friday night after IGHR.
- Transportation will be available between the residence halls, the cafeteria, classrooms, and the library.
- **Deadline for on-campus registration, cancellation, and/or changes is May 30th, 2009.**

Meals On Campus

Meals are available in the university cafeteria and the food court.

A cafeteria meal ticket for the week is included in the cost of on-campus housing or can be purchased for \$115.00. Meals may be purchased individually. The cafeteria is located on the second floor of the University Center.

Cafeteria Hours:

- Breakfast 7:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.
- Lunch 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
- Dinner 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

The food court, located on the ground floor of the University Center, includes Chick-fil-A, hamburgers, baked potatoes, submarine sandwiches, and El Pasado. Pricing is a la carte.

Food Court Hours:

- Monday-Friday 7:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., but the franchises close at 2:00 p.m.

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