



The Institute at a Glance

Slavery and the Constitution is a scholarship opportunity for twenty-five select faculty participants from two-year community and four-year colleges and universities to enhance their teaching and research by engaging with other scholars from a wide range of disciplines.

Funded by the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH), this two-week Institute, held in Washington, DC, will enable faculty participants to explore the rapidly accumulating new collaborative scholarship, which focuses on the reading and interpretation of slavery in America and its impact on the US Constitution. The multidisciplinary approach provides a distinct perspective allowing for greater understanding of the complexities of slavery in America and opens a window onto how slavery could exist in a country founded on many of the ideals of the Enlightenment.

Institute seminars, discussions, and on-site field studies with renowned visiting scholars and content specialists, together provide a compelling format for the selected Institute Summer Scholars directly to engage in research on American slavery and its impact on the Constitution. Study tours to such relevant sites as the Smithsonian African American Museum's exhibit on slavery will enable participants to appreciate for themselves the vast complexities and political ramifications of slavery.

Stipend:

The stipend for individuals selected to participate in this two-week project is \$2,100. Stipends are intended to help cover travel expenses to and from the project location, lodging and some living expenses. Stipends are taxable. **Applicants to all projects should note that supplements will not be given in cases where the stipend is insufficient to cover all expenses.**

The \$2,100 stipend for the two- week Institute will be given to participants in two \$1050 checks with one delivered at the beginning of the Institute and the other on the last day. Participants will make their own travel arrangements to arrive in Washington, DC on July 8 in time for the 7:00 PM start of the Institute on Sunday evening at the Capitol Hill Hotel.

Housing:

Participants have the opportunity to stay at the Institute's headquarters hotel, the Capitol Hill Hotel, just across the street from the Institute's primary venue, the Library of Congress, at the rate of \$98.73 including tax per night in a double room or at the of rate of \$197.46 including tax per night for a single room. All those staying at the Capitol Hill Hotel will need to secure their room with a credit card before May 2, 2018. All those chosen to participate in this Institute will receive an e-link which will allow them to register for the special group rate at the Capitol Hill Hotel.

If a participant wished to make arrangements to stay at a different location, the participant will need to make is housing situation clear to Institute Co-Director Paul Benson at leebee@dcccd.edu by May 2, 2018.

Travel:

Participants will responsible for making their own travel arrangements to Washington, DC for this Institute.

More Information:

www.BrookhavenCollege.edu/NEHInstitute