2012 Workshop for Teachers - HIST 680
Freedom Rising, 1862: The Second Year of Civil War
August 10 – 13, 2012, 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
A partnership between American Public University System and Harpers Ferry National Historical Park

Friday, August 10, 2012
Morning session (Freewill Baptist Church)

8:30-9:15AM: Introduction
  ▪ Welcome to Harpers Ferry National Historical Park
  ▪ Introductions – getting to know you

9:15-9:30 AM: Orientation
  ▪ Housekeeping
    ▪ Breaks
    ▪ Restrooms
    ▪ Punctuality
    ▪ Attendance
    ▪ Weather
      ➢ Pay close attention to weather forecasts – we will go outside except in severe weather
      ➢ Bring bottled water with you for our ventures – there are sinks available to refill
      ➢ Don’t forget a hat and comfortable shoes
      ➢ Remember to bring cameras to record your visit
      ➢ Gnats seem to love Harpers Ferry as much as humans do, so be prepared
  ✓ Nametags:
    ➢ Free entrance into park August 10 – 13, 2012
    ➢ 10% discount in Park Bookshop August 10 – 13, 2012

  ▪ Lunches
  ▪ Shuttle bus – shuttle buses run from 8AM – 6:45PM daily.
  ▪ Park contact: – Catherine Bragaw (304.535.6283); Jeff Driscoll (304.535.6053); Autumn Cook (304.535.2908)
  ▪ Workshop goals & objectives
  ▪ Schedule

9:30-10:00 AM: Overview of the History of Harpers Ferry
  ▪ Brief overview of what has already happened.
  ▪ And what’s been going on elsewhere in the War?

10:00-10:15 AM: Brain-storming: events for skits

10:15-10:30 AM: Break
10:30-11:30 AM: Choosing the events/preparing the skits/begin chronology of events for the classroom

11:30-Noon: Role and Journal (The History of Us)
- Create marbleized journals
- Distribution of Historic Role and explanation of Historic Journal

Noon-1:00 PM: Break and Lunch on your own
There are several good eating establishments within a few minutes’ drive of the Freewill Baptist Church. We’ll provide you with a local Visitors’ guide, to help you locate these spots.

1:00-1:45 PM: Complete Journals

1:45-3:00 PM: Freedom Rising: special speaker on the true meaning of the War

3:00-3:15 PM: Break

3:15-4:00 PM: The New Recruit Experience: the 126th New York Volunteer Infantry Regiment at Harpers Ferry
- The 126th New York’s experience was typical of most units that saw service at Harpers Ferry in 1862; we’ll look at this regiment’s initiation to the Civil War, in part, using the Park’s Soldier Story program
- Each APUS participant will receive the identity of an actual member of the 126th New York.

4:00-4:30 PM: Technology in the Classroom
- Ideas you can use when you return to your classrooms

4:30-4:45 PM: Reflection and Discussion/Journal-writing

4:45-5:00 PM: Review of Day’s Activities/Coming up tomorrow
- Looking back at what we did today: what could YOU use in your classroom?
- Then we’ll look ahead and see what’s coming up tomorrow.

Saturday, August 11, 2012
Morning Session (please meet at the Freewill Baptist Church)

8:30-8:45 AM: Energizer/the Day’s Schedule

8:45-12:45 PM: The 1862 Siege of Harpers Ferry with Park Chief Historian, Dennis Frye
- Dennis Frye will take us on a morning-long tour of the sites connected with the mid-September 1862 Siege and capture of Harpers Ferry.
- Be sure to bring what you’ll need for this half-day tour: bug spray, sunglasses, water bottle, camera, and so on.

12:45 – 2:00 PM: Break and Lunch on your own

2:00 – 3:15 PM: Overview of the 1862 Maryland Campaign
Including a look at the importance of the railroads, especially the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad.

3:15 - 3:30 PM: Break

3:30 - 4:30 PM: Rats in a Cage: the Park’s program on the Siege of Harpers Ferry
- We will probably do this program on Bolivar Heights, in which case we’ll ask everyone to drive there during the mid-afternoon break.
- If we do go to Bolivar Heights, we’ll conclude our day’s activities there.

4:30 - 4:45 PM: Journal writing

4:45 - 5:00 PM: What we did today, and what’s coming up tomorrow?

Sunday, August 12, 2012:
Morning Session (Today we’ll meet at the Visitors’ Center. Please arrive before 8:30, so we can get started promptly.)

8:30 - 9:00 AM: Meet at the Visitors’ Center parking lot/Energizer/go over Day’s schedule – Do you have everything you’ll need for our all-day field trip?

9:00 AM: Leave for all-day field trip: South Mountain and Antietam
- We’ll start at Turner’s Gap, then drive over to Fox’s Gap.
- If we have the time, we’ll also visit Burkittsville and Crampton’s Gap.
- Following our look at portions of South Mountain, we’ll drive over to Sharpsburg, Maryland, and start at the Antietam National Battlefield Park’s Visitors’ Center.

12:30 - 1:30 PM Lunch at the Red Byrd Restaurant (in Keedysville, Maryland, just a few miles from the Antietam Battlefield)

1:30 - 3:45 PM Finish Tour of Antietam

3:45 PM: Return to Freewill Baptist Church

4:15 - 4:30 PM: Back at Freewill Baptist Church/Break

4:30 - 4:45 PM: Journal Writing

4:45 – 5:00 PM: Review of the Day’s Activities/Look at Tomorrow’s Schedule
- What could you use in your classrooms?

Monday, August 13, 2012
Morning Session (We’ll meet at the Freewill Baptist Church again)

8:30 - 8:45 AM: Energizer/the Day’s Schedule

8:45 - 10:00 AM: The Civilian Story/the Slave Experience
10:00-10:15 AM: Break

10:15-Noon: The Emancipation Proclamation
- Using primary documents, we’ll look at the reactions to this historic proclamation.
- Discussion, debate on the importance of Lincoln’s proclamation.

Noon-1:00 PM: Break and Lunch on Your Own

1:00-1:30 PM: After the Maryland Campaign: the war drags on

1:30-2:00 PM: Finalize Journals (for the History of US)

2:00-2:30 PM: Break/Travel to Lower Town
- Please drive to the Visitors’ Center and take the Park shuttle bus down to the Lower Town.
- We’ll meet in the Education Offices (on 2nd and 3rd Floors above the first building on the right along Shenandoah Street; above the exhibit titled, “Harpers Ferry: A Place in Time.” One of us will be outside, showing you the way!)

2:30-3:30 PM: A History of US
- Using your journal entries, we’ll move through the year of 1862 in Harpers Ferry!

3:30-4:30 PM: Closure
- Collect & Copy Journals
- Oral and Written Evaluation
- Certificates
- And thanks so much for joining us!