**Registration: 9:30 AM | Seminar 10:00 AM - 4:30 PM** 

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## Session 1 Revolutionary War Genealogical Research

A variety of materials covering the War for Independence will be examined: Compiled Service Records, pensions, bounty land, local militia lists and rolls, Navy and Marine Corps records, and the Continental Congress papers. Smaller armed conflicts that occurred after the Revolutionary War officially ended in 1783, including Shay's Rebellion and the Whiskey Rebellion, will be reviewed.

#### Session 2 Manifest Destiny: Researching Your Mexican-American War Ancestors

The Mexican-American War of 1846 marked the first U.S. conflict mostly fought on foreign soil. It would serve as a training and breeding ground for both officers and men who would fight each other in the Civil War fifteen years later. Local, regional, and National Archives' records will be examined as well as sources for ancestors who served in the United States Regular Army, Navy, and Marine Corps.

# Session 3 Refugees, Claims, and Conscription: Researching Your Ancestors during the Reconstruction Era

When the Civil War ended in 1865, the United States turned to mending the sectional differences that had separated our country and caused four years of bloody war. The Reconstruction Era (1865 to 1876) ended as the last of the Federal Troops withdrew from the South. Discover little known military and civilian records and resources from this unique period of history. Records from the Freedmen's Bureau and the Amnesty Papers are only a small portion of the genealogy records existing today.

#### Session 4 More than just Politics: Genealogical Research in Washington, D.C.

Planning a research trip to our nation's capital? Discover your ancestors in key facilities located inside the District of Columbia. Get an inside look at the resources of the National Archives and the Library of Congress as well as local research stops for those of you whose families originate from this old city.

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