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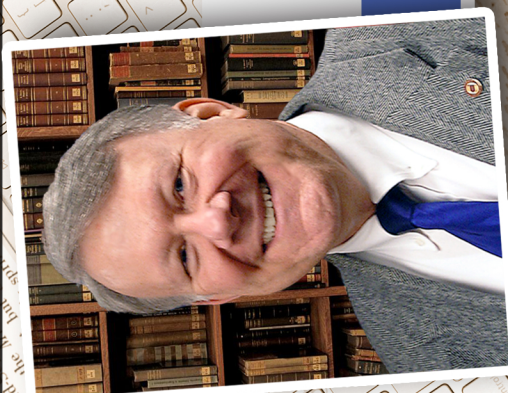
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Welcome! An essential part of Genealogical Excellence is communicating to others the work we have done. Whether we are communicating proven facts on our family tree, writing a blog, writing our own family's history, or writing for publication, good writing is an essential part of good genealogy and the fifth point of the Genealogical Proof Standard. In this second seminar in our *In Pursuit of Genealogical Excellence* series, Dr. Thomas Jones will show us the fundamentals of Genealogical Writing, starting with basic tools used for any type of writing, then apply those tools to writing for genealogy. Topics will include the essentials of source citations, how to keep your writing organized and easy to follow, and how to write like a professional genealogist. We look forward to you joining us as we learn to write like the pros!

FRIDAY SESSIONS OPENING: 9:50 AM | CLOSING: 2:30 PM

Session 1 • 10:00 - 11:15 ~ Gearing Up and Getting Started An overview of essential tools for genealogical writers; goals of genealogical writing; overcoming "writer's block."

Session 2 • 11:30 - 12:45 ~ Shaping Your Writing Emphasizes self-editing, including remedying common problems and reducing word count to improve readability.

Session 3 • 1:15 - 2:30 ~ Infusing Structure and Flow Guidelines for opening sentences, paragraphing, sectioning, internal transitions, enhancements (tables and figures), and overall structure of the written genealogical product.

Homework • Students will write a few paragraphs using what they learned in the day's sessions. Dr. Jones will then review a few of these in the first session Saturday morning.

SATURDAY SESSIONS OPENING: 10:00 AM | CLOSING: 4:25 PM

Session 1 • 10:00 - 11:15 ~ Live Editing The instructor "live" edits student's self-edited writing samples, to demonstrate the principles taught on the first day.

Session 2 • 11:30 - 12:45 ~ Documenting with Answer to Five Questions An overview of the essentials of genealogical source citations.

Session 3 • 1:30 - 2:45 ~ Organizing Your Ancestors in a Genealogical Format Organizing genealogical writing with widely accepted numbering systems.

Session 4 • 3:00 - 4:15 ~ Writing for Publication This session covers essentials for producing polished family histories of lasting value, whether for genealogical blogs, books, journals, or magazines.

Thomas W. Jones, Ph.D, CG, CGL, FASG, FUGA, FNGS Since 2008 Dr. Jones has coordinated "Writing and Publishing for Genealogists" at IGHR. From 2003 through 2018 he co-edited sixty-four issues of the *National Genealogical Society Quarterly*, in which every article is thoroughly edited for clarity, conciseness, and consistency.

He has written twenty-seven articles published in peer-reviewed genealogical journals, twenty-two articles in other genealogical publications, and four book reviews. He has produced two textbooks with exercises, *Mastering Genealogical Proof* and *Mastering Genealogical Documentation* and has written three chapters for other genealogy textbooks.

Holder of two graduate degrees in education, Tom teaches online and in person at genealogical institutes, seminars, and workshops locally, regionally, nationally, and internationally. Audiences and students consistently report learning much from his lectures and interactive classes.

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A few days before the Seminar you will receive an email with a link to a downloadable syllabus with the Seminar handouts.

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