

TEACHING THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION AT 250

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MONDAY, JUNE 8

1:00–3:00 p.m.	Dorm Check-in, Duren Hall

Thompson Conference Center, Under the Oaks

4:30–5:15 p.m.	Local Teacher Registration
5:15–6:00 p.m.	Welcome and Teacher Introductions
6:00–7:00 p.m.	**Inside America's 250th: A Conversation with Historians Denver Brunsman and Serena Zabin**
7:00–8:00 p.m.	Dinner

TUESDAY, JUNE 9

Thompson Conference Center, Third Floor

8:00–8:45 a.m.	Breakfast
8:45–9:00 a.m.	Announcements
9:00–9:45 a.m.	**American Before the American Revolution** *Denver A. Brunsman, George Washington University*
9:50–10:35 a.m.	**The Imperial Crisis** *Serena Zabin, Carleton College*
10:35–10:50 a.m.	Break
10:50–11:35 a.m.	**Women in the Revolutionary Era** *Lauren Duval, The University of Oklahoma*
11:40–12:25 p.m.	**Declaring Independence** *Lorri Glover, Saint Louis University*
12:25–1:45 p.m.	Lunch PBS Educational Resources for *The American Revolution,* Ken Burns Documentary
1:45–3:45 p.m.	**Afternoon Seminars**

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10

Thompson Conference Center, Third Floor

8:00–8:30 a.m.	Breakfast
8:30–8:45 a.m.	Announcements
8:45–9:30 a.m.	**Revolutionary War, Part I: Lexington and Concord to Saratoga** *Kieran O'Keefe, Lyon College*
9:35–10:20 a.m.	**Revolutionary War, Part II: Valley Forge to Yorktown** *Ricardo A. Herrera, U.S. Army War College*
10:20–10:35 a.m.	Break
10:35–11:20 a.m.	**African Americans and Native Americans in the Revolutionary Era** *Leslie Alexander, Rutgers University*
11:25 a.m.–12:10 p.m.	**The Global American Revolution** *Richard Bell, University of Maryland*
12:10–1:20 p.m.	Lunch
1:20–3:30 p.m.	**Afternoon Seminars**

Byrne-Reed House, Humanities Texas Headquarters

4:30–6:00 p.m.	Reception

THURSDAY, JUNE 11

Thompson Conference Center, Third Floor

8:00–8:30 a.m.	Breakfast
8:30–8:45 a.m.	Announcements
8:45–9:30 a.m.	**The Articles of Confederation and the Crisis of the 1780s** *Lorri Glover, Saint Louis University*
9:35–10:20 a.m.	**The Constitutional Convention of 1787** *Joseph F. Kobylka, Southern Methodist University*
10:20–10:35 a.m.	Break
10:35–11:20 a.m.	**Teaching Big Ideas in Civic Life by Studying the First Congress** *Charles Flanagan, educational consultant*
11:25 a.m.–12:10 p.m.	**America After the American Revolution** *Denver A. Brunsman, George Washington University*
12:10–1:00 p.m.	Lunch
1:00–3:15 p.m.	**Afternoon Seminars**
3:15–3:30 p.m.	**Closing Announcements**

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