



## “Shaping America” On-Line Course for Educators

**This 20-hour multi-media course is designed for any educator with the need to learn more about U.S. History through 1877.**

This WQLN Q-Campus course is designed for teachers in need of Act 48 training. Unlike traditional face-to-face trainings which require giving up evenings or weekends, this interactive course allows the teacher to participate in training at a time convenient for their schedule. Study from home, at work, or during your lunch-break!

This course provides a multi-media mixture of video\*, PowerPoint lessons, scrolling text, additional resources and activities. Participants are instructed by the course leader on how to proceed through the online course and how to best utilize resources. The course can be accessed through any Internet connection, on any compatible computer.

*\*Q-Campus on-line courses have the unique ability to address the needs learners with either dial-up OR broadband Internet access. This unique feature benefits those who normally are restricted from participating in video-based online trainings due to dial-up access or network administrator restrictions on high-bandwidth streaming.*

“Shaping America” explores the beginnings of American history, from early European settlement through the resolution of the Civil War. Video content features over sixty nationally known historians, chosen for their individual expertise, diverse backgrounds and viewpoints of early American history. Shaping America reveals a time in American history, when native cultures and newly arriving cultures, both with distinct ideas and habits, formed a new nation that would, one day, become the most recognized in the world. The course explores these primitive beginnings and the accomplishments of early settlers despite incredible hardships, then examines political leadership and economic growth and finally raises the hope for “shaping” a new America after the sorrow of a bitter Civil War.

Among those who provide commentary and analysis in this course are: Joyce Appleby, Ira Berlin, Jon Butler, Ernesto Chavez, Colin Calloway, Edward Countryman, Gerald Danzer, David Edmunds, Joseph Ellis, Eric Foner, Gary Gallagher, James O. Horton, Linda Kerber, Karen Kupperman, Dan Littlefield, James McPherson, Theda Perdue, Kathryn Sklar, Harry Watson and Gordon Wood. These on-camera interviews are supplemented with scripted voice-over narrations and readings from authentic letters, diaries, speeches, newspapers, and so forth.

Visuals include footage of scenes and historical sites throughout the continental United States, along with historical photographs, paintings and drawings, documents, artifacts, maps and charts. Sites visited include the ancient Cahokia Native American civilization in the Mississippi River Valley, the Somerset Plantation in North Carolina, the Civil War battlefields at Gettysburg and Shiloh, presidential homes at Monticello and Mt. Vernon and Seneca Falls National Historical Park in New York. Historical re-enactments and recreations are used. Throughout the series the storytelling is enhanced with original music and multi-layered soundscapes.

**Only \$60!**

Awarding 20 Act 48 Hours. For more information on Act48, please visit the Q-Campus section of WQLN.org.



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On-Line Course for Working Professionals

## Course Description:

**Shaping America** is broken down into the following section topics:

- 101) **A World Apart** (formerly America Before 1492: A World Apart)
- 102) **Worlds Transformed** (formerly The Columbian Exchange: Worlds Transformed)
- 103) **Settling in the Southern Colonies** (formerly British America: Settling in the Southern Colonies)
- 104) **Settling in New England** (formerly British America: Settling in New England)
- 105) **Diversifying British America** (formerly Diversifying America: Life in a New Century)
- 106) **A Distinctive Society** (formerly A Distinctive Society: Slavery and Identity)
- 107) **Making a Revolution**
- 108) **Declaring Independence**
- 109) **Winning Independence**
- 110) **Inventing a Nation**
- 111) **Searching for Stability**
- 112) **A Peaceful Transfer of Power**
- 113) **Jefferson's Vision of America**
- 114) **The Market Revolution**
- 115) **A White Man's Democracy**
- 116) **The Slave South**
- 117) **Perfecting America**
- 118) **Moving Westward** (formerly Moving Westward: The U.S. - Mexican War)
- 119) **Crisis and Compromise**
- 120) **Irrepressible Conflicts**
- 121) **The Union Collapses**
- 122) **And the War Came**
- 123) **Home Fronts**
- 124) **Union Preserved, Freedom Secured**
- 125) **Reconstructing the Nation**
- 126) **Looking Backward, Looking Forward** (formerly 1876: The Shape of America)



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Questions? Call 814-864-3001 ext. 120.

Upon receipt of tuition, student will receive course materials, password and login to initiate online course.