The Georgia Historical Records Advisory Council, in conjunction with the University of Georgia and the Georgia Archives, has available one stipend to cover attendance at the 2020 Georgia Archives Institute (GAI). The stipend is funded by a grant from the National Historical Publications and Records Commission (NHPRC) and is contingent on congressional authorization of continued funding of NHPRC.

The stipend is available to an employee or volunteer at a local government repository. Preference will be given to an applicant from an underserved community. The recipient will receive tuition in addition to $1500 to cover travel and accommodations in Atlanta and will be eligible for a post-training implementation sub-grant. The sub-grant will only be available to the stipend winner. We will be in direct contact with the winner after GAI.

Designed for beginning archivists, manuscript curators, and librarians or those whose positions have expanded to include the management and care of their organization’s archives or manuscript/history collection, the Georgia Archives Institute provides general instruction in core concepts and practices of archival administration and the management of traditional and modern documentary materials. The Institute is a two-week program held at the Georgia Archives in Morrow, Georgia, and includes six days of classroom instruction and a three-day internship. This year, the Institute will be held June 8-19.

Instructional topics include appraisal, accessioning, arrangement and description, reference and outreach, security, copyright, born-digital records, and preservation and care of archival materials. Students will also participate in individualized, three-day internships at local archival repositories.

Pam Hackbart-Dean, will be the principal instructor. She is the Head of the Special Collections and University Archives at the University of Illinois at Chicago. She has worked at Special Collections Research Center at Southern Illinois University Carbondale, Special Collections and Archives at Georgia State University and for the Richard B. Russell Library for Political Research and Study at the University of Georgia.

Pam has been active in many professional archival organizations, including the Society of American Archivists, the Academy of Certified Archivists and the Society of Georgia Archivists. She has conducted a number of workshops on arrangement and description, as well as published articles and books on the subject. Pam received her MA from the University of Connecticut.

The Preservation of Archival Materials day-long session will be taught by Tina Seetoo, Preservation Manager at Delta Flight Museum. The Born-Digital and Digital Preservation session will be taught by Katherine Fisher, Digital Preservation & Social Change Collection Archivist, Special Collections & Archives, Georgia State University Library.

Look for the grant application on the Georgia Archives website under “Announcements.” To apply, submit a completed application form to Christopher.davidson@usg.edu by March 2, 2020.

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