

"Federalism in Perspective: Constitutional Ideals and Modern Governmental Practices" seminar at UCSD

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Public administrators and employees in professions closely related to government will have an opportunity to attend a special month-long seminar sponsored by the National Endowment for the Humanities this summer at the University of California, San Diego.

The seminar, "Federalism in Perspective: Constitutional Ideals and Modern Governmental Practices," will be taught by Harry Scheiber, professor of history at UC San Diego and will run from June 25 until July 20.

Scheiber, a specialist in American economic, legal and constitutional history, says the seminar will offer both historical and philosophic perspectives on the role that American government has played in the shaping of American society.

"Participants will explore the political values that have impelled change and innovation, and they will also examine the historical record of government's impact in the United States from the republic's founding to the present day," Scheiber said.

The purpose of the seminar, and others similar to it around the country, is to advance public understanding and use of the humanities as a resource by giving professional leaders the opportunity to stand back from their work and explore a wide range of issues of national concern under the direction of scholars in the humanities, according to NEH.

Those wishing to attend the seminar may obtain an application from the history department, C-004, University of California, San Diego, La Jolla, CA 92093. Deadline for applications is April 16.

Seminar participants attend tuition-free and receive a stipend of \$1,200 from which they are expected to meet their expenses for room, board and books. In addition, they receive up to \$400 reimbursement for travel costs.

Scheiber, a UC San Diego faculty member since 1971, was a fellow at the Center for Advanced Study at Stanford. He is the author of three books on American history and a contributor to numerous other books and journals.

He is a former Guggenheim Fellow and is currently engaged in a research project on law sponsored by the National Science Foundation.

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