



THE HILLSDALE COLLEGE  
Hoogland Center for Teacher Excellence  
SEMINAR SERIES ON TEACHING AMERICAN CIVICS

# Teaching the Declaration of Independence

A one-day seminar for middle and high school teachers of  
economics, civics, social studies, and history

- Faculty lectures
- Large group discussions
- Ideas for classroom content

**January 13, 2012**

Hilton Anatole  
2201 North Stemmons Freeway  
Dallas, Texas 75207

**PARTICIPANTS WILL EXPLORE** the principles of the Declaration of Independence, the challenge of slavery from the Founding to Lincoln, and the Progressive movement's critique of the American Founding. They will consider such questions as: What are the basic principles on which the American system of limited, constitutional government rests? Were the Founders wrong to accept slavery in the original Constitution? Why did the Progressives reject the Founders' principles? Lectures and discussions will be led by three Hillsdale College faculty members:

- Dr. Thomas G. West, Professor of Politics
- Dr. John Grant, Assistant Professor of Politics
- Dr. Ronald Pestritto, Shipley Chair in the American Constitution and Associate Professor of Politics

**This seminar is entirely free of charge!**

*All participants will receive:*

- three books to supplement the lectures;
- a pocket copy of the Constitution; and
- a certificate of attendance.

(Continental breakfast and lunch will be provided.)

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