



**Foundations of U.S. History: Virginia History as American History**, a Teaching American History project, represents an exciting opportunity for teachers to expand their content knowledge of American history, develop engaging classroom resources and materials, and become part of a professional support network. For more information please visit our website: <http://chnm.gmu.edu/loudountah/>.

**Full Year Program with 6 Grad Credits & \$750.00 Stipend; Open to all 4th Grade and Elementary ESL and Special Education Teachers**

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### **Here's what teachers get:**

- Six graduate credits in History from George Mason University
- A \$750.00 stipend, along with books and classroom resources
- Re-certification points from the state of Virginia
- A 10-day Summer Institute (June 23-27 and July 7-11, 2008) focusing on Virginia and American history content, historical analysis skills, teaching strategies, and field trips to historical sites
- Two after-school history book discussions
- Additional after-school activities, including a keynote presentation, 2 film history workshops, a lesson plan support workshop, and the presentation of extended lessons
- Participation in a professional community
- Enhanced skills in using technology.

### **Here's what teachers do:**

- Attend all Teaching American History activities and read assigned books and articles
- Write reflections on activities and readings
- Infuse primary sources into two existing lesson plans, write about the experience for one, and be observed by the project director for the other
- Create an extended lesson plan incorporating online primary sources, SOLs, and engaging teaching strategies
- Participate in evaluation surveys
- Share with colleagues in school and district.