



Plymouth State University's Certificate in Historic Preservation Winter 2009–10 courses (Winter term begins December 1)



Heritage Studies Foundations

This course is designed for those interested in bringing heritage studies to areas such as schools, museums, and historical societies. Relevant concepts and techniques used in history, geography, English, anthropology, and sociology will be presented so participants may create models for class exercises, build museum exhibits, and incorporate heritage studies methodology into their work. Participants will learn methods of social science interpretation and inference about historical events, structures, artifacts, settlement patterns, and various ideologies of the past. Multi-disciplinary techniques will be used in interpretations of nearby history and in the development of materials that may be used in educating the general public and students in the classroom. *3 credits.*



Taught by Christopher W. Closs, planning/preservation consultant
Course takes place at 2 Pillsbury St., Concord, on select Wednesday evenings throughout December, January and February.
Three fieldtrips on December 5, January 9 and February 6 are required.



The Rural Cultural Environment: Architecture and Landscape

This course uses the rural countryside as a laboratory to examine the cultural landscape. It will trace the impact of natural, cultural, economic, and technological forces on the "built" environment. The course studies the evolution of buildings and their settings, with emphasis on settlement and rural industrialization. Subjects to be discussed include the evolution of architectural styles and construction techniques, town planning and land division, the evolution of transportation, and the harnessing of water power. Although the course will use specific locales as examples, it is intended to instill general principles by which any human landscape can be examined and interpreted in relationship to natural resources and human culture. *3 credits.*



Taught by Benoni Amsden, PhD, Center for Rural Partnerships, PSU
An online course, with two required self-directed field trips.



ABOUT THE PROGRAM:

Plymouth State University's Historic Preservation certificate is a non-degree program consisting of four three-credit courses. It can be pursued as a post-baccalaureate certificate or as an academic concentration for individuals who are currently enrolled in a master's program. It is also available to students who already have a master's degree.

The Historic Preservation certificate program will help you to:

- Cultivate a fundamental understanding of historic preservation issues and opportunities that promote the protection of historic and cultural resources
- Develop strong organizational, practical and administrative skills useful for careers in historic preservation, heritage tourism and/or heritage resource management
- Build skills in stewardship and leadership to work in community preservation organizations, government agencies and commissions.

To learn more about Plymouth State University's Historic Preservation certificate, visit http://www.plymouth.edu/graduate/heritage/historic_preservation.html or contact Dr. Stacey Yap, PhD, program coordinator, at stacey@plymouth.edu, 603-535-2333