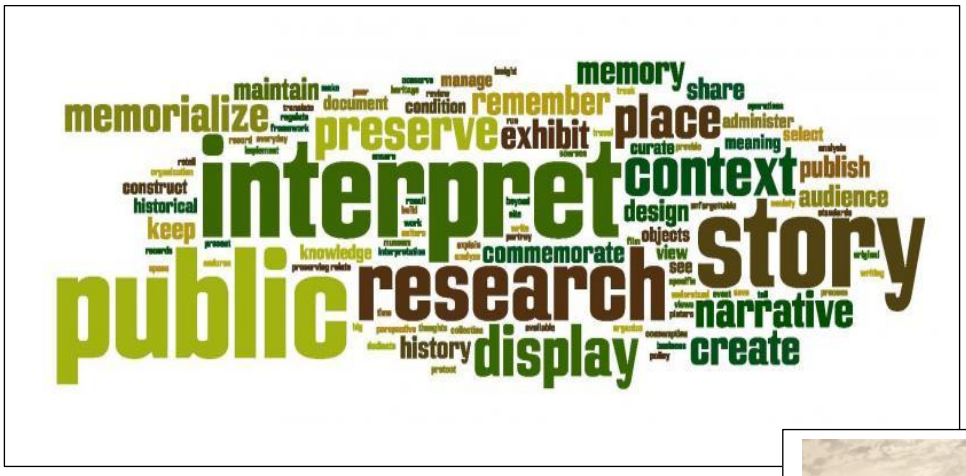
NEW COURSE

Hist 395: Senior Seminar - INTRO TO PUBLIC HISTORY

Spr'18 ONLINE Dr. Barlow

WHAT IS PUBLIC HISTORY? Public historians work in museums, historic homes, national parks, archives, historical societies, and government agencies. Public historians are constantly grappling with difficult issues. Whose history do we document and preserve? How should we talk about controversial topics in an exhibit? How do we make history exciting and meaningful to the many Americans who have been taught to believe that history is simply a compilation of very dry and boring facts? We investigate the controversies involved in creating museum exhibits and memorials; and examine the relationship between history and popular memory.

S'18 space is limited. This is a CGCE online course; there may be additional seats for day students in January when the semester starts. We hope to offer this course again next year.



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