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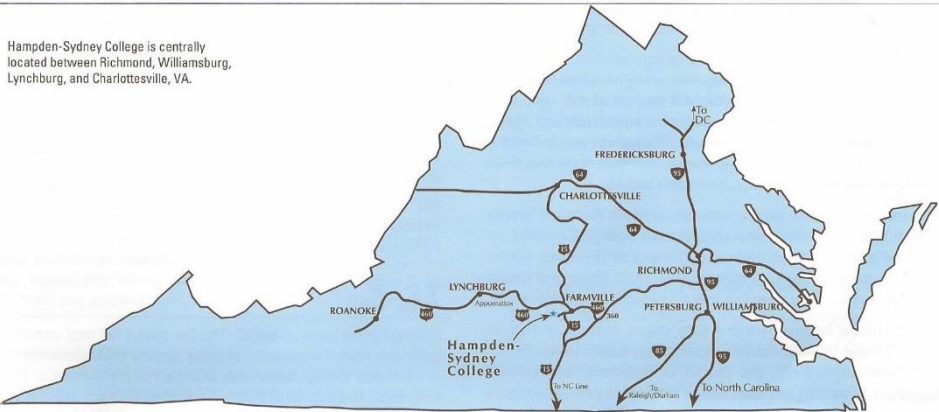
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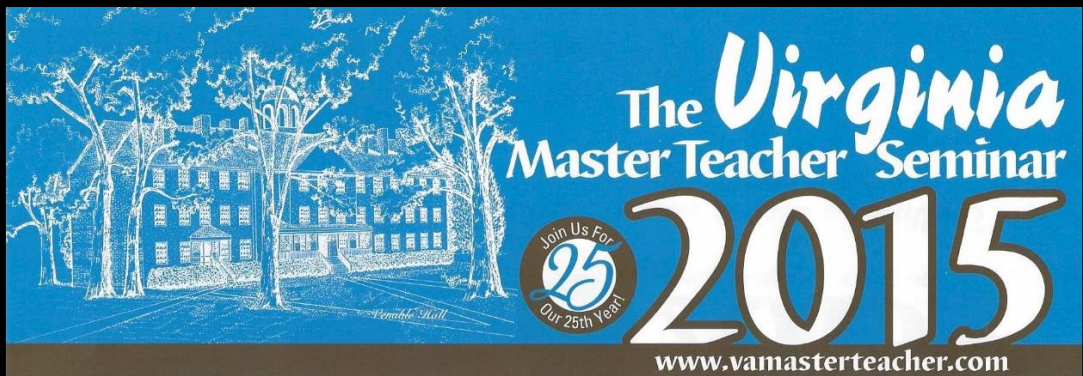
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The Master Teacher Movement

The original Master Teacher Seminar was established in 1962 by Roger Garrison at Westbrook College in Portland, Maine. Since that time, the seminar has evolved into a national movement with over a dozen annual seminars from coast to coast and an international movement with seminars in Canada, China, and Hawaii.

The sole aim of the seminar is the practical exploration of ways to improve teaching. Garrison founded the seminar on the beliefs that:

- much excellent teaching takes place in American higher education
- teachers striving for mastery of their craft have much to share
- bringing teachers together in a relaxed, informal atmosphere to share their successes and their experiences enhances the skills of all.

The Seminar

Teachers from all types of higher learning institutions and from a variety of disciplines will gather in South-Central Virginia during June 28–July 2, 2015 for an exchange of learning, teaching, and philosophy. The focus of discussion and activities for the entire week will be on best practices and instructional innovation in undergraduate education.

The seminar is an assembly of dedicated educators. Each participant will be asked to submit ideas to the seminar for discussion. The focus of ideas and teaching strategies will be innovation and excellence in classroom teaching. Seminar staff will lead a variety of engaged discussions focused on special interests of the group.

The Site

The Virginia Master Teacher Seminar will be held at the campus of Hampden-Sydney College. Hampden-Sydney is an independent, liberal arts college for men near Farmville, Virginia. The college was founded in 1776 by Virginia Presbyterians with guidance from state leaders such as Patrick Henry and James Madison. Visit www.hsc.edu

Participants will enjoy the genteel atmosphere of the Hampden-Sydney campus. All the ingredients necessary to provide a delightful, restful, yet invigorating educational experience will be evident. Facilities include tennis and basketball courts, olympic swimming pool, library, a variety of hiking trails, and a private room in a fully air-conditioned residence hall.

This south-central location is within easy driving distance of Thomas Jefferson's home in Charlottesville, Appomattox Court House, Patrick Henry's home at Red Hill, the Capitol at Richmond, and Colonial Williamsburg. Directions and maps will be provided in your participant's information package.

The Staff

Dr. W. Terry Whisnant is the executive director and founder of the Virginia Master Teacher Seminar. Dr. Whisnant currently serves as director and consultant to the Virginia, Indiana, Arizona and Florida, master teacher seminars. His commitment to improving classroom instruction is his greatest academic legacy. **Stephen Walker**, seminar director, is Professor of History at Southside Virginia Community College. A veteran of national teaching programs, he works closely with Dr. W. Terry Whisnant.

Professor Walker currently serves as lead facilitator and presenter for the Master Teacher seminars in Arizona, Florida, and Indiana. He was lead facilitator in the inaugural Master Teacher seminars in Alabama, Georgia, and New Jersey. He has lead or participated in over 50 Master Teacher seminars across the United States. Stephen also founded the Virginia Teachers' Academy. The program specifically designed for K-12 teachers was modeled after the Master Teacher movement.

Stephen will be joined by a staff of experienced faculty facilitators.

Travel

Hampden-Sydney College is located six miles south of Farmville, Virginia, off U. S. Route 15. For participants arriving by airline, we recommend flying into Richmond International Airport. We will provide free shuttle service between Richmond and Hampden-Sydney on the opening and closing days of the seminar. Please contact us in advance of making airline reservations to schedule ground transport.

The Schedule

Daily seminar sessions will be conducted with ample opportunity for exploration, recreation and relaxation.

Participant check-in and room assignment begins at 3:00 p.m. and continues until 4:30 p.m. on Sunday, June 28, 2015. A reception and dinner are the first scheduled events.

The seminar ends after lunch on Thursday, July 2, 2015. Further information on what to bring and what to expect will be included in your participant's package.

The Cost

The cost of the seminar is \$900. This fee covers the total cost of tuition, room, and board for the entire seminar. Checks should be made payable to Southside Virginia Community College. Full prepayment of \$900 or a non-refundable deposit of \$400 must accompany each application.

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