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BACKGROUND

As part of the overall information gathering process undertaken during the NFACE project, we attempted to collect data on every continuing educational offering for historical records keepers of all kinds held in the U.S. during 1999 or planned for 2000.

We sought information on all workshops, institutes, seminars, online and correspondence courses, and any other programs offered during 1999 or planned for 2000 that were designed to provide continuing education in the care and administration of historical records. We were not trying to collect information on graduate education programs or other pre-employment offerings.

We solicited entries from many different kinds of organizations that provide training to historical records keepers. They included:

- ♦ Professional associations (national, regional, and state-based) serving archivists and allied professionals (librarians, museum professionals, records managers, librarians, etc.)
- ♦ Archival repositories that not only provide training to their own staff but offer training to other professionals or community volunteers.
- ♦ Colleges and universities that offer continuing education to professionals or nonprofessionals beyond those graduate programs leading to an advanced degree.
- ♦ Government agencies (federal, state, or local)
- ♦ For profit enterprises that provide training for a fee

We were interested in learning about training available for all of the different types of people who are charged with caring for historical records. They include:

- ♦ Professional archivists and manuscript curators
- ♦ Librarians
- ♦ Museum professionals
- ♦ Records managers
- ♦ Other government officials or employees
- ♦ Unpaid volunteers

To collect this information, we provided an online survey form as well as a paper version. Notices were sent to archives and records management listservs. All organizations invited to participate in NFACE were also asked to provide information on their own programs.

While this is by no means a comprehensive list, it does provide an understanding of the wide variety of programs and providers now attempting to deliver continuing education to archivists and others who care for historical records. The information collected will serve several purposes. First, it will be used to inform NFACE participants about the opportunities that are currently available. Analyzed in conjunction with the data collected during the NFACE Survey of Individual Continuing Education Needs, it can help us determine where the greatest gaps between perceived needs and available training are. It should also facilitate collaboration among the many providers of educational services.

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