

# One-Day Seminar



# AGENDA

## "THE ROAD TO CIVIL WAR"

Presented by the Florida Humanities Council for the Pinellas County Teaching American History program.

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8:00-8:30 a.m.	<b>Check-in and Continental Breakfast</b>
8:30 a.m.	<b>How Slavery Frames the Issue (or Four Perspectives on slavery in the territories)</b> <i>With Professor Gallman</i> By the late 1840s Americans were engaged in a lively debate about the future of slavery. We will discuss the four leading perspectives on this complex issue.
9:30 a.m.	<b>Bleeding Kansas, Bleeding Sumner</b> <i>With Professor Gallman</i> In this session we will concentrate on three days in 1856 which saw violence come to Kansas and to the Senate Chamber. How were these events related? How did they underscore the tensions that would lead to war?
10:30 a.m.	<b>Break-out session</b> In this session we will examine how contemporary editorials explained and debated the Brooks-Sumner Affair. The editorials will be from this website: <a href="http://history.furman.edu/editorials/see.py">http://history.furman.edu/editorials/see.py</a>
11:15 a.m.	<b>Discussion of Editorials</b>
12:00 p.m.	<b>Lunch</b>
1:00 pm.	<b>John Brown's Wars</b> <i>With Professor Adams</i> We will consider the rush of events that took the nation from 1856 to the brink of war. The focus will be on the controversial John Brown.
2:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.	<b>The Road to Secession</b> In our final session we will consider the declarations of secession and the roles that the southern secession commissioners played in the run-up to war.
3:00 p.m.-3:30 p.m.	<b>Seminar Wrap-Up and Evaluation</b>

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