



Maryland History I

The Early Years

A Colorful & Historical Tour of the Key Issues & Events of Maryland History from the Dinosaurs to 1860

This course is designed to enhance the student's knowledge and relevance of the history and key events of early Maryland History. Topics will include: Prehistoric Maryland & Native MD tribes; Early European Exploration and Discovery; The French & Indian War; American Revolution; The Industrial Revolution in MD; the War of 1812; the Growth of MD's Transportation Infrastructure & Trade; Political Parties & Factions; and Abolition, Slavery & the Underground RR in Maryland.

Upon completion of the course, students should be able to:

Comfortably **discuss** the relevant historical highlights, timeline and significant events of the early history of Maryland.

Competently **analyze** the important outcomes resulting from famous battles in and around Maryland, as well as the effectiveness of state & local government and influence.

Accurately **identify** the key Maryland personalities that played an important role in the history of our state and nation.

Despite the academic jargon above, this course is designed to be fun, interesting, and have a wide general audience appeal. We will use a broad variety of audio-visual media, hands-on props, historical relics, personal diaries, relevant articles as well as solicit student presentations and/or comments from their own collections or knowledge. Participants who complete the course should achieve a more thorough knowledge of this very fascinating and colorful period of Maryland History and its lasting effect on our current situation.

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