2007 Program Proposal Form

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Endorsed by ________________________________ (indicate section or roundtable)

Name of Section/Roundtable chair______________________________

1. Session Title: Archival Education for the Digital Age

2. Type of Session (check one):

[ X ] Traditional
[ ] Work-in-Progress
[ ] Panel Discussion
[ ] Workshop
[ ] Seminar/Roundtable
[ ] Special Focus
[ ] Poster Presentation

(Paper titles required for traditional and work-in-progress sessions only.)

3. If this proposal is generated by an SAA group (i.e., a board, committee, section, roundtable, or special-interest group), give the name of the group. The chair of the group should be listed as the proposer.
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SAA Member? [ X ] Yes   [ ] No

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4. Description of proposal:

*Please follow the outline format below.*

A. Content description (150 words or less)

Preservation of access to digital assets stands as one of the grand challenges facing archivists today but appropriate educational programs have been lacking. This session presents three programs that provide a range of educational opportunities for archivists managing digital assets. Schaefer will discuss the IMLS-funded “Preserving Access to Our Digital Future” project at the UNC Chapel Hill that is developing a graduate- and post-graduate-level curricular framework, content, and experiential components, and fellowships necessary to prepare students to work in trusted digital and data repositories. Pearce-Moses describes the University of Arizona’s IMLS-funded development of a certificate to help librarians, archivists, and records managers acquire necessary digital competencies. The certificate supplements the core content of a MLS and is designed to meet the needs of individuals already working in these fields. Ross will present DigitalPreservationEurope (DPE). DPE works to deliver essential guidelines, methods and tools to enable digital preservation, and a suite of training seminars based on best practice.

B. Role of each speaker in the session (100 words or less)

The three speakers will discuss the opportunities that each of these programs offer and how practicing archivists as well as full-time students can take advantage of them. Wallach, who was instrumental in the Mellon-funded Bentley Library Fellowships of the 1980s and 1990s, will serve as moderator and comment on the potential of these educational programs.

C. Audience for the session (1 sentence)

Archivists and curators who are interested in either graduate-level or continuing education in digital information management, archiving, and curation.

D. Purpose of this session (1 sentence)

To disseminate information about these programs that offer both graduate-level and life-long educational opportunities in both on-site and remote modes to archivists and curators.

5. Audiovisual Requirements

Computer projector