Course: HIST 101 Survey of American History I
Internationalization of the curriculum of HIST 101 Survey of American History I will be a semester long expansion of the curriculum focusing initially on the Latin American connections with the United States and the settling of the West by the Spanish (California, New Mexico, and Texas); The American Revolution is expanded to encompass the ideological origins of the American Revolution and will illustrate to the students from whence came the ideas for the American Revolution; England, France, Italy, Rome, Greece, the Bible all had a major impact on the ideas that supported our Revolution and the development of our Constitution. The United States during the early national period will be examined as a function of European investment in infrastructure such as railroads, canals, manufacturing and trade with the world including Asia; and the Civil War will include a section on the diplomatic interchanges between the United States, Great Britain and France. Great Britain’s role as a possible supporter of the Confederacy in their bid for independence; and the French invasion of Mexico (1862 – 1867) and the impact of this invasion on the Americas including the United States will be a focus. This summary may expand as the units are envisioned.

Bio
Professor of History Donn Hall has an MA in History from Indiana University Bloomington with additional graduate course work from the IUB School of Education Graduate Programs in Curriculum and Design. He has taught at the Field Radio Operator’s Course at the FMFLant Communications School; Camp Geiger, NC; at Northwest High School in the Indianapolis Public School system; at Oakland City University in Bedford, and has taught History at Ivy Tech Bloomington since the fall semester of 2000. Professor Hall has served as the Program Chair for History, Anthropology, Economics, Political Science, Art History, Fine Arts, Music, Geography, Philosophy, and
Spanish programs, most of which are now combined into the Humanities Department with Professor Hall as the Department Chair for Humanities. Professor Hall has travelled to Calnali, in the State of Hidalgo, Estados Unidos de Mexico as the faculty advisor to the Ivy Tech Bloomington Alternate Spring Break program for the three years of the program’s existence.

Professor Hall is married to the former Ms. Joan Carey of Wakefield, Massachusetts, and together they have two sons: Sean is a graduate of the Kelley School of Business and a Staff Accountant with Author’s Solutions; and Jesse is a Freshman at Ivy Tech Bloomington. The accompanying picture is of Professor Hall with the prize won for answering the trivia question on The Book Guys radio program syndicated through National Public Radio.