Planning and Preservation Practice: Work Weekend
CRP 5661, class # 16557

Lynn Hall, Port Allegany, PA
A National Register of Historic Places listed property associated with Frank Lloyd Wright
14 April – 17 April, 2016

1 unit  S/U  Graduate students only
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This one-unit course offers the opportunity to make a meaningful contribution to a community by undertaking a hands-on preservation project at a significant historic site. Students will be given basic training in one or more simple tasks, and then spend a minimum of two full days using their skills to stabilize, repair, and/or rehabilitate elements of a building. Typical projects include window reglazing, prepping and painting, repointing or repairing masonry, patching plaster, and simple carpentry.

Work Weekend is hosted by the Historic Preservation Planning Program and the HPP Alumni organization. It takes place over four days in mid-April. Students will depart Ithaca on a Thursday afternoon, and return Sunday. Among the past sites for Work Weekend have been Ellis Island, NY; a rural church in Wyco, WV; the Cascadilla Boat House, Ithaca; Pratt Opera House, Albion, NY; First Baptist Church, New Bedford, MA; Eastern State Penitentiary, Philadelphia; and the greenhouse at Lyndhurst, Tarrytown, NY.

There are two short, mandatory meetings prior to departure. There is a participation fee of $50, which goes to partially defray the cost of lodging, meals, supplies, transportation, and never-ending coffee. Students will also be required to sign a liability waiver.

PLEASE NOTE: STUDENTS CANNOT DROP THIS CLASS AFTER APRIL 1ST, EXCEPT FOR MEDICAL REASONS. PLEASE PLAN YOUR WORK FOR THE SEMESTER TO AVOID A PROBLEM. ALSO, BECAUSE PLANNING AND EXPENSES ARE SET SEVERAL WEEKS PRIOR TO THE TRIP, NO REFUNDS CAN BE MADE AFTER APRIL 1. HOWEVER, YOU MAY ELECT FOR ANOTHER TO GO IN YOUR PLACE IF ARRANGEMENTS ARE MADE BY APRIL 12.