

Capitol Visitor Center

TEACHER WORKSHOP

MAJORITY RULE, MINORITY RIGHTS:

The Similarities and Differences between the House and Senate

Learn about the similarities and differences between the U.S. House of Representatives and the U.S. Senate.

- What are the similarities and differences in the way the House and Senate function?
- What does the Constitution say about each chamber?
- Is the filibuster mentioned in the Constitution?
- What is the House Rules Committee and why is it so important?
- How have the chambers changed over time?



**Joseph Cannon,
by Freeman Thorp, 1914**

Architect of the Capitol



**Senators at rest during the 1964 filibuster
on civil rights legislation**

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Teachers will have an opportunity to work with primary sources including the Federalist Papers, the Rules of the House of Representatives, the Standing Rules of the Senate, and the Congressional Record.

The workshop will feature a talk by Matt Field, Ph.D., Exhibits and Education Program Specialist, Capitol Visitor Center.

Following the workshop, teachers are invited to participate in an optional tour of the U.S. Capitol. Certificates of attendance will be provided.

WHAT

Teacher Workshop

WHEN

Saturday, March 15, 2014

9:30 a.m. to noon

WHERE

Capitol Visitor Center

Congressional Meeting Room North

WHO

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Program Specialist

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