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## Press Release

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### NGS Launches Its Newest Course Genetic Genealogy: Autosomal DNA Course

ARLINGTON, VA, 9 DECEMBER, 2015— The National Genealogical Society (NGS) proudly announces the release of its newest Continuing Genealogical Studies course, *Genetic Genealogy: Autosomal DNA*.

Autosomal DNA comprises twenty-two of the twenty-three pairs of chromosomes, excluding the one pair of sex chromosomes. These matched pairs of chromosomes are called autosomes and contain a comprehensive record of a person's genetic ancestry. *Genetic Genealogy: Autosomal DNA* is a seven-module, cloud-based course that focuses primarily on concepts and techniques for genetic genealogy. It also introduces the concepts covering the analysis of the data, no matter how the data is accessed or which tools are used to analyze the data.

The course was developed by Debbie Parker Wayne, CG<sup>SM</sup>, a nationally recognized lecturer, educator, and full-time researcher experienced in using DNA analysis and traditional techniques for genealogical research. Her DNA research focuses on client projects and on research into her own family project that includes Y-DNA, mtDNA, X-DNA, and autosomal DNA studies. Her traditional genealogical research focuses on Texas, the Southwest, and the Southern U.S.

In addition to being a full-time board-certified genealogist, Wayne is a trustee for the BCG Education Fund and is the Texas State Genealogical Society's DNA Project Chair. Her publications include a column in *NGS Magazine* on using DNA analysis for genealogical research. She coordinates and teaches comprehensive, interactive genetic genealogy courses on how to

interpret and apply DNA test results to genealogical research at the Genealogical Research Institute of Pittsburgh (GRIP) and the Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research (IGHR).

*Genetic Genealogy: Autosomal DNA* is available for \$60.00 for members and \$85.00 for nonmembers. For further information or to purchase the course, visit NGS [Continuing Genealogical Studies](#).

NGS courses are cloud-based courses that offer you the convenience of completing a genealogy course at your own pace, at any location, at any time. The Continuing Genealogical Studies courses help you expand your knowledge of specific subjects, including:

- *Genetic Genealogy, the Basics*
- *Introduction to Civil War Research*
- *Researching Your Revolutionary War Ancestors*

NGS American Genealogical Studies offers a comprehensive program of courses structured to help you develop essential research skills. These include:

- *The Basics*
- *Guide to Documentation and Source Citation*
- *Beyond the Basics*

Founded in 1903, the [National Genealogical Society](#) is dedicated to genealogical education, exemplary standards of research, and the preservation of genealogical records. The Arlington, Virginia-based nonprofit is the premier national society for everyone, from the beginner to the most advanced family historian seeking excellence in publications, educational offerings, and guidance in research. It also offers many opportunities to interact with other genealogists.

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