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**Staff Report: Education
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This report covers the third quarter of FY26, January 1, 2026, to March 31, 2026.

**On-Demand Webcast Sales Summary
(includes webcasts and web courses)**

	January 2026	February 2026	March 2026	Totals
Paid content	100	146	97	343
Free content	26	6	21	53
Revenue	\$24,290.00	\$19,854.00	\$20,903.00	\$65,047.00

**Comparisons to FY25 Q3 are not available due to changes in reporting categories. A comprehensive FY25 to FY26 sales comparison will be made in the November 2026 report.*

Completed Synchronous Courses (Zoom and In-Person)

Date/Live Session Date	Course	Total Enrolled	Registration Maximum	Paid or Free
1/13-1/14/2026	Digital Forensics: Fundamentals #2623	35	35	paid
1/21/2026	Developing Specifications and RFPs #2621	12	35	paid
1/27-1/28/2026	Digital Forensics: Advanced #2624	22	35	paid
2/3/2026; 2/10/2026; 2/17/2026; and 2/24/2026	Technology Management for Archivists #2613	15	35	paid
2/4/2026 and 2/6/2026	Describing Archives: A Content Standard (Fundamentals) #2622	36	40	paid
2/11-12/2026	Arrangement & Description of Audiovisual Materials #2626	16	35	paid

2/17-2/18/2026	Accessioning and Ingest of Digital Records #2627	36	35	paid
3/2-3/3/2026	Preserving Digital Archives #2631	39	35	paid
3/4/2026; 3/11/2026; 3/18/2026; 3/25/2026; 4/01/2026; and 4/15/2026	Digital Curation: Fundamentals and Sustainability #2637	16	40	paid
3/11/2026	Introduction to XML Analysis and Manipulation DAS and A&D: Tools and Services	n/a	n/a	Newly recorded on demand course has sold 3 to date
3/12/2026	Using ePADD in Email Archiving #2625	15	15	paid
3/13/2026	Managing Digital Records in Archives and Special Collections #2632	21	35	Paid; in person at University of New Mexico

This quarter, we offered 12 courses to 265 students, compared to 6 courses for 185 students in Q3 of FY25.

Upcoming Courses, Q4 of FY26

Date	Course	Paid or Free
4/13/2026-4/14/2026	Project Management: Fundamentals and Advanced #2643 (in person closed course for TSLAC in Austin, TX)	paid
4/16/2026-4/17/2026	Arrangement and Description: Fundamentals #2633 (in person in Salem, OR)	paid
4/22/2026-4/23/2026	Introduction to PREMIS #2642	paid
4/23/2026-4/24/2026	Managing Physical & Digital Architecture, Design, & Construction Record #2634 (in person in Belmont, NC)	paid
5/5/2026-5/6/2026	Rare Books for Archivists #2620 (new!)	paid
5/12/2026; 5/14/2026; 5/28/2026; and 06/11/2026	Career Transition Workshop: Thinking about your career inside the GLAMS Industry (second offering)	paid; special pricing

5/13/2026	Email Archiving #2641 (in person in Columbus, OH, MAC)	paid
5/22/2026	Encoded Archival Description #2628 (revised)	paid
5/29/2026	MARC for Archival Description #2629 (revised)	paid
6/4/2026-6/5/2026	Arrangement and Description: Fundamentals #2639 (in person in Carlisle, PA)	paid
6/8/2026-6/9/2026	Arrangement and Description of Digital Records: Parts 1&2 #2640 (in person at University of Idaho)	paid
6/10/2026	Preserving Digital Archives #2635 (in person at University of Idaho)	paid
6/11/2026	Copyright Law for Archivists: A Risk Management Approach (in person at University of California Santa Barbara)	paid
6/15/2026 – 6/16/2026	Building Advocacy and Support for Digital Archives (online closed course for Colorado SHRAB)	
6/24/2026	Managing Digital Records in Archives and Special Collections (in person at NWA in Tacoma, WA)	paid

We have planned 15 courses for Q4, including 9 in-person courses. This compares to 10 courses, of which 5 were in person, during Q3 of FY25.

Certificate Program Updates

We continue to highlight each new DAS and A&D certificate holder on the website here: <https://www2.archivists.org/prof-education/das/certificate-holders> and here: <https://www2.archivists.org/prof-education/a-d/certificate-holders>

- This quarter included a DAS Comprehensive Exam administration in January 2026, during which we awarded 32 new certificates. Four people renewed their DAS Certificate this term. One year ago, we saw 37 new certificates awarded and 8 renewals in Q3.
- Two people earned their A&D Certificate this period. There were no renewals. This time last year, six A&D Certificates were awarded, and we saw no renewals.
- We have seen no Option B DAS Renewal petitions in Q3 of FY26.
 - We are now in year two of the 2-year pilot program launched in March 2025 to allow DAS Certificate Holders an alternative path to certificate renewal. In year one of the program, we saw 10 petitions. <https://www2.archivists.org/news/2025/saa-education-introduces-pilot-program-for-das-renewal>
 - The DAS Subcommittee will assess the pilot beginning in April 2027 and bring a proposal to Council in a subsequent meeting to renew or discontinue Option B.

Highlights and Discussion

- This quarter, SAA Education re-launched the Digital Forensics Fundamentals and Advanced courses (DAS) as online offerings with instructors Jess Farrell and Josh Kitchens.
- Last quarter, Education worked with SAA Council and Executive Committee to reallocate funds to enable us to offer the Career Transitions Workshop for significantly subsidized rates. Members can now take advantage of this course (planned for May 2026) at \$49; nonmembers will be charged \$129. As of this report, we have 22 enrollees.
- The DAS Subcommittee is reviewing the DAINIS Operational Validity results to improve DAS exam questions.
- SAA Education and the DAS Subcommittee recruited two new teaching teams to revise Foundational DAS webinars recorded originally in 2015, Digital Preservation of Audio and Video and Providing Access to Digital Archives. The new products are scheduled for completion in early 2027.
- DAS and CoE representatives participated in a webinar sponsored by SNAP featuring information about the DAS and A&D Certificate Programs.
- The Introduction to XML Analysis and Manipulation course has been revised and recorded to be an on-demand offering.