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## **Grading Seminar offered by ANA at MSNS Convention**

The American Numismatic Association has partnered with the Michigan State Numismatic Society to offer a two-day educational seminar prior to the annual MSNS Spring Convention. "Grading Mint State Coins" will be held Wednesday and Thursday, April 6-7 at the Macomb Community College Expo Center, 14500 East 12 Mile Road, Warren, Mich. The online registration cutoff is Wednesday, March 30, 2016.

Using digital presentations, in-depth discussion, market grading analysis and extensive hands-on coin viewing, students will develop an ability to grade mint state United States coins. The course will be taught by Brian Silliman, professional numismatist, Brian Silliman Rare Coins and former NGC grader/conservator and ANA authenticator/conservator. Tuition is \$248 for ANA and MSNS members; \$208 for ANA life members; \$348 for non-members.

Thanks to the underwriting support of the MSNS, the first 25 MSNS members who register for the course will receive a \$50 discount from the standard member rate of \$248. In addition, MSNS will provide a catered lunch on both days of the course.

To register online for the two-day seminar, visit [www.money.org/events/SeminarsAtMSNS2016](http://www.money.org/events/SeminarsAtMSNS2016). MSNS members can obtain the "Discount Code" by contacting Amber Bradish, the ANA's education assistant, at (719) 482-9865.

According to Ron Shintaku, an ANA life member, "As a previous graduate of a number of ANA-sponsored courses pertaining to basic and advanced coin grading, authentication and conservation in which Brian Silliman was the primary instructor, I have always found Brian to be very knowledgeable, experienced and effective instructor. His unique ability to present subject matter in a fashion so that all course attendees, whether a beginning collector or veteran dealer, understands the presented material and comes away with valuable numismatic skills and knowledge."

"Brian is exceptionally knowledgeable, articulate, humorous and easy to follow," said Dr. John Chirco, a collector and dealer who was a previous attendee of the course. "He provides ample examples of different coins for hands-on examinations, and takes the time to answer all questions. I highly recommend this course."

For additional information, please contact Amber at [seminars@money.org](mailto:seminars@money.org) or call (719) 482-9865.

The American Numismatic Association is a congressionally-chartered, nonprofit educational organization dedicated to encouraging the study and collection of coins and related items. The ANA helps its nearly 25,000 members and the public discover and explore the world of money through its vast array of educational and outreach programs, as well as its museum, library, publications and conventions. For more information about the ANA, call 719-632-2646 or visit [www.money.org](http://www.money.org).