

# **2020 Invitational Leadership Institute for Teachers**

Dates: April 4 and June 15-26, 2020

Institute Meeting Time: 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 pm

## **An Invitation for Teachers**

Each of the 200 National Writing Project sites holds an invitational leadership institute every summer. Several thousand teachers participate each year in these invitational leadership institutes, and every year new groups of summer fellows at local sites describe their summer institute experience as “a space of critical reflection so essential to good practice,” “causing a noticeable and great shift in all of my teaching,” “the best professional development I have had in all my years of teaching.”

**The invitational leadership institute is at the core of the NWP’s model of “teachers teaching teachers.” The institute develops teachers as leaders, teachers as learners, and teachers as writers.**

During each institute, teacher participants examine the most pressing issues related to the teaching and learning of writing across the curriculum. Participants demonstrate and reflect on their own best practices and strategies, and they study current research in the field. Our leadership team is dedicated to fostering an interdisciplinary community and support system of teachers from all grade levels and across the curriculum.

## **The UMWP Invitational Leadership Institute allows teachers to...**

- Discover opportunities for instructional leadership
- Discover the latest in literacy pedagogy
- Learn about implementing the Mississippi College and Career Ready Standards and the next generation of assessments
- Develop their own writing lives through participation in writing workshops and response groups
- Earn three semester hours of graduate credit supported by a scholarship from the Division of Outreach
- Join The University of Mississippi Writing Project teacher network

Teachers in all grade levels and all subject areas in north Mississippi schools are eligible to apply for admission to the UMWP Invitational Leadership Institute.

Teachers interested in applying need to complete an application and submit with requested information by **February 28, 2020**

## 2020 INVITATIONAL LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE FOR TEACHERS APPLICATION

Directions: Please print or type. Submit completed application by Friday, February 28, 2020.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

City and Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact number: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

School address: \_\_\_\_\_

City and Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

School telephone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade level: \_\_\_\_\_

Years Teaching: \_\_\_\_\_ Subject(s): \_\_\_\_\_

REFERENCES: Please have at least two school personnel write letters that provide an assessment of your teaching. Ask the references to mail the letters separately for receipt by February 28, 2020.

APPLICANT STATEMENT OF INTEREST AND INTENT: On separate pages write a statement of 250-to-500 words explaining your reasons for wanting to participate in the UMWP Summer Institute. Please address what you hope to gain from the Summer Institute and what you will be able to offer as a participant.

Please send your application to the following address:

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