

**The Minnesota Writing Project,
an affiliate of the
National Writing Project,
presents its
Twenty-seventh Annual
Invitational Summer Institute
and Retreat**

“The opportunity to forge personal and professional relationships with other passionate educators is rich beyond measure in an age of hurry-up stress and pressure. I will show up differently in my classroom this year.”—2016 Participant

“MWP shines a light on the craft, the art of teaching. When we look at education in those terms we bring seriousness of purpose and joy together in a way that is energizing and focusing. The impact there is engaging, enlightening experiences for our students and rejuvenation through our schools.”—2016 Participant

*“MWP’s impact on me as a writer has been transformational; getting the space and time to collaborate with other writers—my peers and colleagues—will have a lasting impact on me as a writer. Through them, I was able to find my long-silenced writer’s voice.... My students will greatly benefit from having a **writer** as a writing teacher.”—2015 Participant*

The Institute offers you many opportunities to

- ◆ Become part of a community of writer-teachers
 - Experiment with different genres
 - Experience peer feedback
 - Discover multiple writing processes
- ◆ Strengthen your professional voice on current theory and practice in literacy education
- ◆ Discuss current teaching challenges
 - Assessment
 - Digital literacies
 - Diverse learners
- ◆ Expand your leadership potential for influencing literacy policy
- ◆ Establish connections with the National Writing Project and other organizations that shape the educational landscape

For further information call MWP at 612-625-6323 or go to mwp.umn.edu

Retreat:

A retreat from June 21 to 22 will kick off the Summer Institute.

Who:

Teachers of any subject, at all levels (kindergarten through college), who are interested in literacy education

When:

July 10–28, 2017
Monday–Friday, 9:00–3:00

Where:

10 Nicholson Hall
University of Minnesota

Credit:

Graduate credit included.

What:

Summer Institute participants give teaching demonstrations, participate in writing groups, and form reflective practice groups.



The Minnesota Writing Project is funded by the Center for Writing, the College of Liberal Arts at the University of Minnesota, and the National Writing Project.

Nomination/Application Process:

If a current member of MWP is familiar with your teaching, that person may obtain a nomination form from MWP for you. Otherwise, you may apply yourself by sending us, in a single envelope, all the items listed below:

1. A brief **résumé**
2. **Supporting letters** from
 - a teacher colleague
 - a principal, supervisor, or dept. head
3. A **letter of application** in which you describe:
 - a. your beliefs about literacy instruction, including attention to meeting the needs of diverse learners or writing in the content areas, if applicable
 - b. what goes on in your classroom that is evidence of your beliefs and strengths
 - c. what you hope to gain from your participation in the Institute
 - d. how your experience will benefit your school, district, or college

Deadline for Applications: Applications are being accepted **now** and will begin to be reviewed in February. If necessary, interviews will be conducted in March/April. Mail applications to:

Minnesota Writing Project
10 Nicholson Hall, U of MN
216 Pillsbury Drive S.E.
Minneapolis, MN 55455

For the Invitational Summer Institute, we can only consider applicants who are available for the entire program (July 10–28), including the Retreat (June 21–22).

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