

2018 Educator Institute Applications

Minnesota Humanities Center

Application

We welcome educators representing a wide variety of student-facing roles, grade levels, and subject areas including: classroom teachers, paraprofessionals, administrative and support staff, and community educators.

The strongest applicants will participate with a team for the entirety of the weeklong workshop, and have administrative support, demonstrated through a letter of support or direct participation. Although the Educator Institute is structured around teams, the strength of each individual's application will be assessed. We encourage each applicant to write their own individual responses.

Cultivating relationship-based educational change requires communities of support. In order to develop a robust statewide network, the Humanities Center expects the strongest applicants/teams will demonstrate:

- **Commitment to collaboration**

Applicants/Team Members are change makers in their building, willing to seek creative solutions within current structures and committed to drawing colleagues and community members into the process to collaborate for systemic change.

- **Shared goals and vision**

Applicants/Team members (and administration) share a desire to broaden their own worldviews and increase student engagement.

- **Inclusive and connected**

Team size is adequate to empower and support one another, typically 3-6 team members. They often work in the same building and are connected to and supported by their administration.

- **Builds a network**

Applicants/Teams may help to build a community of support in a school or district of a previous Educator Institute cohort member, and/or connect with previous Educator Institute participants following the week-long workshop.

In addition to the criteria above, the selection panel will be looking to build a diverse cohort across geographic location, demographics, lived experience, and familiarity with the Humanities Center's work.

Name*

Name of Applicant

Character Limit: 100

Street Address*

Character Limit: 250

City*

Character Limit: 250

State*

Character Limit: 250

ZIP/Postal Code*

Character Limit: 250

Preferred Phone Number*

Character Limit: 250

My preferred phone number is my:*

Choices

Mobile/Cell

Home

Work

If not listed above, please include your work phone:*

Character Limit: 250

Preferred Email (actively used during the summer)*

Character Limit: 254

Job Title*

Character Limit: 250

Number of Years Working In K-12 Education*

Character Limit: 250

Grade Level*

If not applicable, enter "N/A"

Character Limit: 250

Subject Area*

If not applicable, enter "N/A".

Character Limit: 250

School District (Name and ISD#)*

If not applicable, enter "N/A"

Character Limit: 500

School/Organization*

Character Limit: 250

School/Organization Address - Street Address*

Character Limit: 250

School/Organization Address - City*

Character Limit: 250

School/Organization Address - State*

Character Limit: 250

School/Organization Address - Zip/Postal Code*

Character Limit: 250

Commitment to the Weeklong Institute*

I can commit to the entire weeklong experience, including all of the times as outlined below:

- 3:30 - 8:30 p.m. Sunday June 17, 2018
- 8 a.m.- 4 p.m. Monday June 18, 2018
- 8 a.m.- 8 p.m. Tuesday June 19, 2018
- 8 a.m.- 8 p.m. Wednesday June 20, 2018
- 8 a.m.- 8 p.m. Thursday June 21, 2018
- 8 a.m.- 1 p.m. Friday June 22, 2018

This is an intensive, immersive experience. Please consider the above weeklong schedule thoughtfully and carefully before proceeding. *Note: not being able to attend the Institute in its entirety may affect the strength of your application.*

Choices

- Yes
- No

Dietary Restrictions/Special Needs*

Do you have any dietary restrictions or special needs? If none, enter "N/A".

Character Limit: 500

Accommodations*

Overnight rooms will be available for those Institute participants coming from Greater Minnesota. Would you be interested in an overnight room at the Humanities Center for the week of the Institute?

Choices

Yes

No

Narrative Questions

Although the Educator Institute is structured around teams, the strength of each individuals' application will be assessed. We encourage applicants to write their own individual responses.

1. Why is participating in the 2018 Educator Institute important to you?*

Recommended word count: 250-600.

Character Limit: 8000

2. What opportunities for change do you see in your organization, and how are you addressing it?*

Recommended word count: 250-600.

Character Limit: 8000

3. What else do you need to be successful in affecting that change in your current environment?*

Recommended word count: 250-600.

Character Limit: 8000

4. Long-term commitment*

The Educator Institute is more than just the weeklong institute; workshops, webinars, and coaching throughout the year are available for past participants to continue to strengthen and build capacity. Describe your long-term goals and how the institute might help you achieve that.

Recommended word count: 250-600.

Character Limit: 8000

5. Comfort with multiple ways of knowing and being*

We center multiple ways of knowing and being (ex: non-linear) and cultures during the instruction and practice of content. Identify your level of comfort with these approaches.

1 = very little or no comfort.

10 = complete comfort.

Scoring Options: 1 - 10

Explain your answer:*

Character Limit: 8000

6. How did you hear about the Institute?*

If you were encouraged to apply by a colleague or a former Institute participant, please list that person's name.

Character Limit: 1000

7. I am...*

Choices

applying as part of a team

building a team currently/intend to apply as part of a team

applying as an individual

8. Team Members*

If you have a team, please provide the names of your team members and their email addresses (each team member must submit an individual application). If you do not yet have a team, please explain your progress in developing one, or why you will not be applying as part of a team.

Note: We invest in individuals, but believe that individuals are more effective when they have a network of support in their building/district. Therefore, applications are stronger when applying as a team, typically 3-6 people.

Character Limit: 5000

9. Administrative Support*

Please list names and contact information for those in your district or building administration who have expressed support for you to attend the Educator Institute.

Character Limit: 5000

Letter of Support

(Optional) Please attach a letter of support from your administration.

File Size Limit: 5 MB

I am interested in graduate credit (at an additional cost, available through Metro State University)*

Choices

Yes

No

Institute Fee*

Do you anticipate that your school/organization will cover the Institute fee, or will you pay out of your personal funds?

Choices

My school/organization will cover the full amount

My school/organization will partially cover the fee, and I will pay the rest out of pocket

I will cover the full amount with personal funds
I don't know

(Optional) If you would like, provide an explanation to your answer above.

Character Limit: 8000

How do you describe your national, ethnic, or racial identity?*

(If you would prefer not to answer, please type: N/A or Prefer Not To Answer)

Character Limit: 250

How do you describe your gender identity? What pronouns do you use?*

(If you would prefer not to answer, please type: N/A or Prefer Not To Answer)

Character Limit: 250