

THE NEBRASKA WRITING PROJECT

The Nebraska Writing Project is a network of teachers, kindergarten through college, devoted to the improvement of writing and the teaching of writing. Our core beliefs are:

The best teachers of writing are writers themselves.

Teachers provide the best instruction for other teachers.

Anyone, no matter their ability level, can improve their writing in a supportive context with other practicing writers.

True school reform comes through democratic partnerships across grade levels.

Teachers, students and communities benefit when teachers form networks with other teachers and draw on collective expertise.

The mission of NeWP is to improve writing and the teaching of writing throughout Nebraska.

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2015 SUMMER INSTITUTES




UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA-
LINCOLN

Lincoln Summer Institute

June 8 – July 2
9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Humanities Institute: Activist Teaching

June 8-June 26
1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

For more information about the NeWP and its exciting programs, visit our website www.unl.edu/newp or Facebook. 

HOW TO APPLY

You will need to complete a two-page letter of application. Please include the following information:

- What Institute you are applying to.
- What you are currently doing with writing in your classroom.
- What you might have to share with other educators about teaching writing in your school and community.
- What you especially want to learn from other educators.
- Provide *complete* addresses, phone numbers for home and school and a *current e-mail* address.
- **Early admissions** applications must be received by **November 10th**, with notification by December 15th, 2014.
- **Open admission** applications must be received by **March 2nd**, 2015 with notification by April 20th, 2015.
- **Submit** completed application to:
Dr. Robert Brooke, Director
202 Andrews Hall, UNL
Lincoln, NE 68588-0333
or
by Email:
rbrooke1@unl.edu
(402) 472-1807



Writing is a gateway to students' emerging role in our nation's future as participants and decision makers in a democratic society. Because writing can support a high level of learning in all core subjects, it matters in any classroom where inquiry, knowledge and expression are valued and recognized by students and teachers.

--National Writing Project, *Because Writing Matters*

THE NATIONAL WRITING PROJECT

NeWP is Nebraska's oldest site of the National Writing Project. Currently, the National Writing Project has nearly 200 sites nation-wide, and generates over 100,000 program hours per year. For more information, visit the National website at: www.nwp.org

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LINCOLN SUMMER INSTITUTE

June 8 – July 2 9:00a.m to 3:00p.m

Open to teachers of all disciplines and grade levels. This is NeWP's premiere program, following the National Writing Project's Invitational Institute model. Participants in the institute will:

- participate in their own writing;
- share their best teaching practices for writing;
- engage in inquiry and research into aspects of writing.

Institute activities include: writing exercises, visits with local experts in the teaching of writing, participant presentations on their best practices of teaching writing, professional development, practice using various computer technologies to support writing, writing workshops, institute anthology.

FACILITATORS

Dr. Sarah Thomas, UNL
Dr. June Griffin, UNL

Brenda Larabee, M.Ed., Stuart Public Schools, Secondary
Facilitator

Sarah Kroenke, Irving Middle School (Lincoln), NBPTS
Certified, Middle/Elementary Facilitator

Nebraska teachers admitted to the Lincoln Summer Institute may qualify for up to \$750 stipend which helps offset the cost of 6 UNL graduate credits in English or Teaching, Learning, and Teacher Education.

HUMANITIES INSTITUTE

June 8 – June 26th 1:00p.m. to 4:00p.m

Open to teachers of all grade levels, and is for 3 UNL graduate credits in English or Teaching, Learning, and Teacher Education. Past participation in a NeWP Summer or Rural Institute is preferred. This institute explores activist teaching of the humanities in a writing-rich environment.

Institute activities include: immersion in reading and in our own writing, shared examination of the connections between writing and activism in our teaching, collaborative research on activist pedagogies; institutional and professional issues, new genres, media, technologies and resources for enacting activist teaching across the content areas.

FACILITATORS

Dr. Lauren Gatti, UNL
Beverly Hoistad, Pyrtle Elementary, Lincoln,
Elementary Facilitator

LOCATION

Both the 2014 Lincoln Summer and Literature Institutes will be held in Andrews Hall on the UNL city campus