

# Mohawk Valley Writing Project

## Summer Institute 2009 APPLICATION



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**The Mohawk Valley Writing Project is the local site of The National Writing Project <<http://www.writingproject.org>>, a federally funded professional development program devoted to improving writing instruction.**

Based upon the principle that teachers sharing best practices with other teachers provides a strong foundation for learning, the Writing Project centers on the Summer Institute, a five week-long summer program in which teachers from a given region gather to concentrate on three areas of study: **writing, teaching, and research**. Through writing workshops, teaching demonstration and reading and discussing the research literature in writing pedagogy, teaching fellows who participate in the institute prepare to become better teachers of writing themselves and to bring their insights back to their schools and districts through inservice events held during the school year. Acting as teacher consultants, they share their learning with other teachers in a variety of inservice presentations which may include conferences, workshops, and seminars. Year by year, as a Writing Project site develops and matures, it seeks to serve all the teachers in a given geographical area, and thus benefit all the students in that area.

**The MVWP Summer Institute is offered as English 533, a three-credit graduate course.**

#### **MOHAWK VALLEY WRITING PROJECT: TENTATIVE SCHEDULE**

##### **The Fourth Summer Institute**

Application Deadline: **March 27, 2009**

*Applications received after the deadline will be considered for Summer Institute 2010.*

Applicants notified of selection results by: **April 24, 2009**

Pre-Institute Planning Day: **Saturday, May 2**

Project co-directors, technology liaison, and any TC's interested in working for the Summer Institute should attend this meeting.

Pre-Institute Workshop: **Saturday, May 2**, (morning); **Monday, May 4** (after school); **Tuesday, May 5** (after school) and **Wednesday, May 6** (after school)

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MVWP Summer Institute **July 1-July 30, 2009**

Second Annual Utica Writing Marathon: July 8, 2009

Pot Luck: **July 16, 2009**

Planning Day: July 31, 2009

Reunion October 17, 2009

#### Financial Information

**FEES:** Invited participants will pay a technology fee (charged to all part-time students).

**TUITION:** The MVWP Summer Institute is a three-credit Utica College graduate course. Participants will be registered as non-matriculated graduate students and charged tuition.

Participants may be eligible to fund tuition through the BOCES CoSer program., which requires the participant to obtain written authorization from his/her district superintendent.

There are a limited number of tuition scholarships, funded by the National Writing Project grant and Utica College, available for each Summer Institute.

Invited participants will receive specific information regarding tuition funding. If you have any questions, please contact Mary Ann Janda (792-3325/mjanda@utica.edu).

**STIPENDS:** Participants who complete the MVWP Summer Institute will receive a stipend from the National Writing Project grant.

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**Please attach a REFLECTIVE STATEMENT expressing your interest in the Writing Project and the 2009 Mohawk Valley Writing Project Summer Institute. What do you hope to accomplish in the course of the Summer Institute? What do you hope to contribute? What do you hope to take away? Please type your statement. Do not put your name on the statement itself, but staple it to the rest of your application.**

CONTACT INFO

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A. Who are you?

Name:	
Address:	
Telephone:	
E-mail:	
Institution:	
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How long have you been teaching?	
Your teaching responsibilities:	
Your prior experiences with professional	

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Please give names and contact information for two people willing to recommend you as a participant in the Summer Institute. Place an asterisk after the names of recommenders who are Writing Project Teacher Consultants.

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Name:

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to you:

Please attach a letter from an administrator indicating support for your participation in the 2009 MVWP Summer Institute.

Please return this completed application with:

- o a letter from an administrator and
- o your reflective statement attached.

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