2016 Summer Institute:
Writing in a Changing World
for K-College Teachers
NDSU Campus, Fargo, ND

Send applications and questions to
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Who we are
The Red River Valley Writing Project is a professional development and support network for K-college teachers. Its focus is to improve the teaching and use of writing across all grade levels and subject areas.

Our mission
• Create a network of teachers who can share their successes in teaching and using writing.
• Develop a community of teachers who write.
• Encourage personal and professional growth in the teaching of writing.
• Improve the writing of students in the region.

What does the Summer Institute offer?
As a site of the National Writing Project, the RRVWP Summer Institute offers participants a place to read and discuss ideas about teaching writing and using writing to teach—plus time to write. Readings include common and individual selections to meet the needs and interests of all participants in the institute. Teachers also share best teaching practices through hands-on teaching demonstrations and explore the teaching of writing by writing. Participants are eligible to receive up to a $700 stipend to reimburse the cost of tuition for the institute. Institute fellows are eligible for up to three credits through NDSU. Requirements for credit: participation, teaching demonstration, and portfolio due July 31.

When is the Institute?
Pre-institute orientation:
Friday, May 6th from 5:15-8:15 pm and Saturday, May 7th 9:00 am-noon

Summer Institute:
Wednesday-Friday, July 6-8, 8:30 am-3:30 pm
Monday-Friday, July 11-15, 8:30 am-3:30 pm
Monday-Thursday, July 18-21, 8:30 am-3:30 pm

Fall Reunion: TBD

Who can participate?
Teachers of any subject, at any grade level, may apply. Since National Writing Project summer institutes are invitational, all participants must apply directly to the RRVWP.

How can I apply?
By March 1, please contact the RRVWP at the email address above to obtain specific application instructions. By April 1, the following application materials will be due:
• a brief resume with current contact information;
• one supporting letter from a teacher colleague;
• a completed online recommendation from an administrator or supervisor;
• a letter of application.

Look for The Red River Valley Writing Project online at http://rrvwp.blogspot.com/