

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTES Achieving Standards through Civic Action

Project Citizen professional development institutes present a unique opportunity for middle-grade and high school teachers and community youth organization leaders to take part in professional development featuring We the People: Project Citizen, one of the country's foremost civic education programs.

The institute will use *Project Citizen* curricular materials as the primary base of instruction. The materials are designed to foster active participation in a process-oriented curriculum that allows students to use interdisciplinary skills to monitor and influence public policy in their communities to solve real-life issues. Each participant will receive a classroom set of *Project Citizen* texts as well as additional materials on public policy. (Graduate credit may be available through the host institution for a fee.)



BENEFITS OF ATTENDANCE

- Learn how to use Project Citizen in your educational or organizational setting
- Learn about public policy and policymaking from experts in the field
- Examine strategies to improve literacy skills through authentic civic action
- Apply classroom management skills to project-based learning
- Integrate interdisciplinary learning into classroom instruction
- Enhance use of interactive teaching methods

EXPENSES PAID

Participants chosen to attend will receive **AT NO COST:**

- Round-trip airfare or equivalent mileage reimbursement to and from the institute
- Lodging and meals
- A set of *Project Citizen* texts and other professional resource materials

SUMMER 2010

REGIONAL INSTITUTES

MOUNTAINS/PLAINS

Project Citizen for the 21st Century: Creating Better Readers, Writers, and Thinkers

Denver, Colorado
June 13–18, 2010

Learning to analyze public policy is critical to becoming an engaged citizen, but the study of public policy also provides rich opportunities for students to become better readers and writers. This institute will focus on strategies for boosting literacy and technology skills throughout the Project Citizen process. Strands for elementary and secondary teachers provide an opportunity to use Web 2.0 technology to collaborate in building Project Citizen portfolios.

SOUTHEAST

Project Citizen

Clemson, South Carolina
June 13–18, 2010

The institute will provide opportunities for teachers to learn about public policy and engage in the Project Citizen process. Scholars, facilitators, and mentors will model and demonstrate how Project Citizen promotes cross-curricular and civic education standards. Participants will examine and have access to many resources, including national service learning standards, literacy, and literature connections.

WEST

Project Citizen and Justice for All

Boise, Idaho
July 12–16, 2010

Using Project Citizen as a tool for building community, participants explore the relationship between civil and human rights, public policy, and civic engagement. Reinforce civic knowledge, skills, and dispositions as students examine their community's problems and concerns through the eyes of the "other."

MIDWEST

Project Citizen and Service Learning

Louisville, Kentucky
July 11–16, 2010

The institute will use *Project Citizen* curricular materials as the primary base of instruction to strengthen the civic component of service learning. Participants will learn how to use Project Citizen as a service learning model. Appropriate applicants should have responsibility for coordinating or implementing service learning in their school, district, or community-based organization in the 2010–2011 school year.

NORTHEAST

Project Citizen

Newport, Rhode Island
July 19–25, 2010

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PARTICIPANT QUALIFICATIONS AND SELECTION

Each applicant will be evaluated on the following criteria:

- The applicant is assigned to teach grades 5–12 in the 2010–2011 school year or the applicant has program planning responsibilities for a community youth organization.
- The applicant agrees to implement Project Citizen in at least one class or with one youth group in the 2010–2011 school year and to submit a portfolio to the state culminating event.
- Teams of up to three educators are encouraged to apply.

INFORMATION/ADDITIONAL FORMS

For further information or additional application forms, please contact Natale Fuller, assistant director, We the People: Project Citizen

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HOW TO APPLY

- 1 Complete the application form.
(Please print or type. Each team member must complete a separate application.)
- 2 Attach your resumé (required).
- 3 Make a photocopy of the application and attachments for your records.
- 4 Mail or fax the completed application form and your attachments to

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PROJECT CITIZEN SUMMER INSTITUTE APPLICATION

▶ APPLICATION DEADLINE — April 23, 2010

Admission decisions will begin March 1 and continue through the deadline.

Check ONE summer institute (choose dates based on your availability and interest)

- MOUNTAINS / PLAINS** (June 13–18, 2010)
 SOUTHEAST (June 13–18, 2010)
 WEST (July 12–16, 2010)
 MIDWEST (July 11–16, 2010)
 NORTHEAST (July 19–25, 2010)

(Please print legibly or type – All information is required)

NAME/POSITION _____

GRADE/CLASSES YOU TEACH _____ SCHOOL DISTRICT _____

SCHOOL/YOUTH ORGANIZATION _____

SCHOOL/YOUTH ORGANIZATION ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP + 4 _____

SCHOOL/ORGANIZATION TELEPHONE _____ SCHOOL/ORGANIZATION FAX _____

Summer Contact Information (required)

HOME TELEPHONE _____ EMAIL ADDRESS _____

HOME ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP + 4 _____

Higher Education

DEGREE/DATE	INSTITUTION	MAJOR FIELD
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

How did you hear about this institute?

- STATE/DISTRICT COORDINATOR**
 CONFERENCE (please name) _____
 COLLEAGUE
 OTHER (please specify) _____

Applicant Agreement

By signing below, the applicant agrees to assume costs incurred in the event of cancellation. Once a participant has confirmed his/her attendance, he/she is responsible for any cost incurred as a result of cancellation.

APPLICANT SIGNATURE _____

Statement of Administrative Support

ADMINISTRATIVE CONTACT PERSON _____

TITLE _____

SCHOOL/YOUTH ORGANIZATION _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP + 4 _____

TELEPHONE _____ FAX _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

The _____ school district/organization understands that _____
 _____ (applicant) will implement We the People: Project Citizen
 in his/her classroom/youth group. The district/organization will support him/her in this activity. I agree to support his/her
 implementation of Project Citizen and will allow him/her to participate in the state culminating showcase.

SIGNATURE _____

- By checking this box, you affirm your commitment to allow the applicant to attend the institute and implement Project Citizen in his/her class.

WRITTEN STATEMENT

In no more than 300 words, explain why you are qualified for this institute. Describe some ways that you would use the program during the next school year and what your goals are after attending this institute. Confirm your agreement to teach Project Citizen in at least one class or with one youth group in the 2010–2011 school year, which includes the submission of a portfolio to the district or state culminating event.

(Please print legibly or type—attach additional pages as needed.)