



WE THE PEOPLE: THE CITIZEN AND THE CONSTITUTION PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT



NATIONAL SUMMER INSTITUTES

The national summer institutes of the Center for Civic Education are rigorous professional development programs that bring educators together to work with constitutional scholars from a variety of disciplines. Participants complete academic readings, attend morning lectures, and participate in afternoon sessions dedicated to the content and teaching methods appropriate to the *We the People* curriculum. In addition, attendees also participate in a culminating activity modeled on the *We the People* simulated congressional hearing, an authentic assessment strategy. The institutes are conducted at prestigious universities throughout the United States. Annual attendance at the summer institutes averages about 250 teachers.

- National Elementary School Institute
- National Middle School Institute
- National High School Institute
- Grand Tetons Institute
- High-Needs Institute
- National Academy

STATE AND REGIONAL WORKSHOPS, SEMINARS, AND INSTITUTES

State and regional workshops, seminars, and institutes are designed to engage attendees in insightful lectures, thorough discussions of the *We the People* curriculum, and participation in a simulated congressional hearing as a culminating activity. The workshops, seminars, and institutes are developed and conducted by the *We the People* program network. Annual attendance at the workshops, seminars, and institutes averages about 1,750 teachers.

ADVANCED CONTENT SEMINARS

Advanced content seminars engage participants in learning about historical content, teaching methods, and modern applications of enduring constitutional issues. These three-day seminars are conducted at historically relevant locations, often of great significance. Annual attendance at the advanced content seminars averages about four hundred teachers and *We the People* coordinators.

- John Marshall: The Man and His Judicial Philosophy
- James Madison: The Man and His Political Philosophy
- The Birmingham Civil Rights Movement
- The Navajo Nation Experience
- An Intimate Portrait of the Founders
- The Rise of the Imperial Presidency
- Women in American Constitutional History