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Join the

National Writing Project and the Maine Writing Project

and earn graduate credits at the University of Maine



Summer (May 9 - June 13, 2022)

ERL 545: Introduction to the National Writing Project, 3 credits

- Join a network of friends and colleagues who share your interest in writing and teaching writing
- Collaborate on ideas and issues in literacy and teaching
- Online, synchronous classes meet Mondays 4:30-7:00 p.m.

ERL 547: National Writing Project Seminar in Mentoring, 3 credits

- Examine effective practices for assisting colleagues in writing and teaching writing
- Mentor students enrolled in ERL 545
- Online, asynchronous classes. Requires scheduling weekly, flexible meetings with MWP Fellows

Fall (Aug. 29 - Dec. 16, 2022)

ERL 546: MWP Institute in Teacher Leadership, 3 credits*

- Share your classroom practice with colleagues
- Explore opportunities for educating other teachers
- Join a network of friends and colleagues who share your interest in leadership
- Hybrid course with in-person meetings on 9/12, 10/3, 11/7 and 12/5 from 4:30-7:00 p.m.

ERL 548: MWP Advanced Institute in Teacher Leadership, 3 credits*

• Hybrid course with in-person meetings on 9/13, 10/4, 11/8 and 12/6 from 4:30-7:00 p.m.

The Maine Writing Project Teacher Leadership Conference meets Thursday, Nov. 10 from 9:00 a.m. - 2 p.m. on the UMaine campus.

*Introduction to the National Writing Project is a prerequisite for the MWP Institute in Teacher Leadership. With completion of both courses, you will be certified as a teacher-consultant in the Maine Writing Project, a site of the National Writing Project.

Who participates in these projects?

Kindergarten through college-level teachers from all content areas — math, science, social studies, arts and language arts — as well as administrators. The project emphasizes learning-centered classrooms and schools; the importance of writing in our personal and professional lives, and in the lives of students; and the value of reflection and collaboration as teachers.

Participants who complete both courses become Maine Writing Project teacher-consultants. In past years, MWP teacherconsultants have staffed Young Authors Camps, established student-staffed writing centers, presented workshops and in-service days across the state, and instructed courses at UMaine. As members of the National Writing Project, teacher-consultants also present nationally and participate in initiatives like Digital Is, sponsored by the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation to explore emerging trends in 21st-century literacy.

How do I enroll?

If you are a current UMaine graduate student, contact your advisor or your unit's administrative staff to register. If you are not enrolled in a degree program, you will need to fill out the abbreviated online application to become a non-degree student. The application is available at umaine.edu/graduate/program/non-degree-study/. For questions, call the Graduate School at 207.581.3291 or email Gail Boucher, gail.boucher1@maine.edu.

What does it cost?

School districts typically pay UMaine tuition and fees for their teachers, specialists or administrators — approximately \$1,623 per 3-credit course for in-state students.

For more information:

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