What is the Prairie Lands Writing Project Invitational Summer Institute?

The Invitational Summer Institute is the cornerstone of the National Writing Project’s teachers-teaching-teachers professional development model. It brings together teachers from across grade levels and content areas to study writing strategies and techniques to teach writing effectively. Participants receive books, supplies, and six Missouri Western State University graduate credits which count toward PLWP’s Graduate Certificate in the Teaching of Writing and toward the MAA in Written Communication: Writing Option ($2000+ value). They also become NWP Teacher Consultants, joining a professional network and forming lifelong professional friendships (priceless).

2015 Invitational Institute Dates

**Wednesday, January 28**
Application submission deadline

**Wednesday, February 18, and Monday, Feb. 23:** Focus Group Meetings for applicants

**Saturday, April 25**
Orientation Day: 9 AM—1 PM

**Saturday, May 16**
Inquiry Day: 9 AM—1 PM

**Saturday, June 13**
Research Day: 9 AM—1 PM

**Four Week Session:** 8:30 AM—3:30 PM
Monday—Thursday, June 29-July 2
Monday—Thursday, July 6-9
Monday—Thursday, July 13-16
Monday —Thursday, July 20-23

**Saturday, September 19**
NWP Certification Session: 9 AM—1 PM

To Apply:

Send completed application form and a current resume by **Wednesday, January 28, 2014** to:

Dr. Susan Martens, Director
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**Questions:** smartens@missouriwestern.edu

We will contact applicants to arrange for a focus group meeting beginning at 5:00 or 6:00 on Feb. 18 or Feb. 23. Acceptances will be mailed to Summer Institute Participants on or before March 4. All 2015 Invitational Institute sessions will meet at Missouri Western State University.

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