



Middlebury Bread Loaf
School of English

VERMONT WHAT'S THE STORY? FELLOWSHIPS

for Vermont Public School Teachers

Fellowships: The Middlebury Bread Loaf School of English will offer a limited number of special fellowships of up to \$5,000 for teachers in Vermont public schools and those independent schools approved by the state to receive tuition from public funds. The fellowship will support summer study (two graduate courses) at the School of English in 2020 and year-round professional development. Fellows will become active members of the Bread Loaf Teacher Network (BLTN), a state-of-the-art professional development network fostering pedagogical innovation, teacher research, and social action teaching and learning. Fellows will attend Bread Loaf (new fellows at the Vermont campus) in summer 2020 and will become co-instructors in the VT BLTN What's the Story? program for the 2020-2021 academic year, collaborating with other Vermont teachers on projects that put students at the center of education and link education to community.

What's the Story? Vermont: Vermont BLTN has created a community-linked learning project, endorsed by school administrators across the state, that gives students a credit-bearing opportunity to pursue independent and collective research on topics of local and regional significance through groundbreaking hybrid online and in-person learning and teaching. What's the Story? is now in its fifth year, with established curriculum, assessments, infrastructure, and supporting resources. We are looking for outstanding Vermont public school teachers who are interested in undertaking intensive graduate study at the Bread Loaf School of English as well as joining Vermont BLTN and bringing their talents and ideas to the group's cutting-edge initiatives.

Eligibility: All fellowship applicants must be full-time teachers in a Vermont public high school or middle school, or independent high school or middle school approved by the state to receive tuition from public funds. They must have completed a minimum of one year of teaching by June 2020, and must be teaching during the 2020-21 academic year in a Vermont public school or independent school approved by the state to receive tuition from public funds. Applicants must also apply for admission to the Bread Loaf School of English.

Fellowship Obligations:

- First-year fellows will attend Bread Loaf's Vermont campus and take two graduate courses, including one designated Group 1 course in writing, pedagogy, or literacy.
- All fellows must participate in weekly BLTN campus meetings during the summer.
- Fellows will serve as What's the Story co-instructors during the 2020-2021 academic year.
- Fellows must submit three detailed reports on their BLTN projects and activities.

Award notifications: Fellowship recipients will be chosen and notified on a rolling basis.