



Middlebury Bread Loaf
School of English

BLTN FELLOWSHIPS

for Public School Teachers

Fellowships: The Middlebury Bread Loaf School of English will offer competitive fellowships of up to \$10,000 for public school teachers, with some awards designated specifically for those working in underserved schools and communities. Fellowships will support summer study (two graduate courses) at the School of English in 2021. 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. Driven by the belief that students are education's finest resources, BLTN teachers collaborate year-round with each other and their students on media-rich classroom projects and partnerships, with the shared goal of cultivating the leadership potential and literacy of students from underserved communities especially.

Eligibility: All fellowship applicants must be full-time teachers in a public school, must have completed a minimum of one year of teaching by June 2021, and must be teaching during the 2021-22 academic year. Applicants may also be community leaders working with underserved youth. Applicants must apply both for admission (or re-enrollment) to the Bread Loaf School of English and for Middlebury financial aid. BLTN fellowships are designed to encourage sustained involvement in the network and therefore preference will be given to Bread Loaf students in their first, second, and third years of study.

Fellowship Obligations:

- First-year fellows will attend Bread Loaf's Vermont or Oxford campus and take two units of graduate credit. We will hold spaces in certain designated courses with a focus in writing, pedagogy, and literacy for new fellows; we strongly encourage new fellows to take advantage of this special opportunity to enroll in one of these highly relevant courses, which are among our most popular and first to fill.
- All fellows must participate in weekly BLTN meetings during the summer and plan innovative pedagogical or research projects to be carried out during the following academic year in collaboration with other BLTN members.
- Fellows in sites with BLTN state or local groups must participate in all group activities during the academic year following their funded summer.
- Fellows must submit three detailed reports on their BLTN projects and activities.

Award notifications: Fellowship recipients will be chosen and notified in April.