



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 2021 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. Fellows will attend Bread Loaf (new fellows at the Vermont campus) in summer 2021 and will join the instructional team of VT BLTN What's the Story? (WTS VT) program for the 2021-2022 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: WTS VT is a year-long, innovative, credit-bearing experience that empowers Vermont students to become informed, strategic, and empathic change agents. Students work in teams to conduct research into and make documentary films about social concerns of their choice. Now in its seventh year, WTS VT runs from September to early June. In the summer, WTS VT's instructional team convenes at Bread Loaf's Vermont campus to assess and revise the curriculum, assessments, and infrastructure. Each year, we attract outstanding Vermont public school teachers who are interested in undertaking intensive graduate study at the Bread Loaf School of English and eager to join the WTS VT instructional team.

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 2021 and must be teaching during the 2021-22 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. 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.
- Fellows will serve as members of the WTS VT instructional team during the 2021-2022 academic year.
- Fellows must submit three detailed reports on their BLTN projects and activities.

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