



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 2023 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 2023 and will join the instructional team of VT BLTN What's the Story? (WTS VT) program for the 2023-2024 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 2023 and must be teaching during the 2023-24 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, Oxford, or Monterey campus and take two units of graduate credit. New fellows are encouraged to enroll in a Group 1 course on writing, pedagogy, literacy, or creative practice.
- All fellows must participate in weekly BLTN meetings during the summer.
- Fellows will serve as members of the WTS VT instructional team during the 2023-2024 academic year.
- Fellows must submit three detailed reports on their BLTN projects and activities.

Award notifications: Fellowship applications will be reviewed, and awards announced, in two rounds: the first in early March and the second in early May. Priority will be given to students in the first round. Students who wish to be considered in the first round should submit their fellowship and financial aid applications by February 15; those who wish to be considered in the second round should submit their fellowship and financial aid applications by April 20.