Learn to incorporate the history and practice of diplomacy into your classroom during this week-long Teacher Institute.

**GAIN UNPRECEDENTED ACCESS** to the art and primary sources from collections in the U.S. Department of State and learn how to incorporate them into your curriculum.

**JULY 15 - 19 2019**

**APPLY ONLINE**

**DEADLINE: March 1, 2019**
Located on the top two floors of the U.S. Department of State, the Diplomatic Reception Rooms are one of Washington, D.C.’s best kept secrets. These 42 magnificent rooms are used every day by the President, Vice President, and Secretary of State to conduct diplomacy at the highest levels.

These rooms house a remarkable collection of historic fine and decorative arts - from porcelain owned by George Washington to the desk upon which the 1783 Treaty of Paris was signed. These masterpieces reflect the pride, craftsmanship, and spirit of 18th-century America. And, they help tell the story of our country’s history, cultural heritage, moments of profound civic engagement and diplomacy. This collection serves as silent ambassadors every day, and has a tremendous impact beyond the walls of the U.S. Department of State.

Educators find that our art and primary sources engage their students in new ways. The Object-Based Learning practices taught by the Diplomatic Reception Rooms link students to significant historic moments, and truly bring history to life.

Once students feel a deep connection to history, they are inspired to become change-makers themselves. For example, students at Helen Tyson Middle School in Springdale, Arkansas (pictured above), were so inspired by the Anti-Slavery Medallion (ca. 1787) that they painted a 100-foot mural in the heart of their community as a way to address the discrimination they saw happening around them. A symbol of 18th-century abolition allowed students to draw parallels to their world and motivated them to take action.

In partnership with the U.S. Diplomacy Center, the collections of the Diplomatic Reception Rooms help illustrate the dynamic history from the founding of the United States - to today. Educators participating in the 2019 Institute will gain unprecedented training and access to these world-renowned collections.
The United States Diplomacy Center is a museum and education center at the U.S. Department of State currently under development. The new glass pavilion at the 21st Street entrance to the Department is the beginning of what will become a dynamic space fully open to the public with permanent and temporary exhibitions and education programs.

The United States Diplomacy Center Education Program illuminates the world of American diplomacy for students through high-quality, hands-on simulations, storytelling, and artifacts. Education program staff extend and amplify the reach of Center programs through rigorous teacher training, interactive online programs, student conferences, and traveling programs. The United States Diplomacy Center believes in the importance of diversity and makes special effort to reach underserved audiences.

The Center’s education staff seeks to grow and sustain a public-private, nationwide network dedicated to educating teachers and students about the importance of American diplomacy. Educators participating in the 2019 U.S. Department of State Teacher Institute will learn the tools of diplomacy and receive unparalleled access to diplomatic simulations, trainings, and statesmen.
TEACHER INSTITUTE OVERVIEW
Diplomacy is the complex and often challenging practice of fostering relationships to resolve issues and advance interests. A toolkit of diplomatic skills is not only an asset for heads of state, but for educators and students as well. Through the U.S. Department of State Teacher Institute, you will discover the PEOPLE who conduct diplomacy, the PLACES where the U.S. Department of State engages in diplomacy, the ISSUES diplomacy helps resolve, and the TOOLS to incorporate diplomacy into your classroom.

The 5-day institute is structured to provide an array of engaging opportunities including diplomatic simulations, object-based learning, historic background, classroom techniques, and more. Participating educators will gain:

• Content-rich training in the history and practice of diplomacy
• An understanding of how to incorporate diplomatic skills into your classroom
• In-person meetings with our nation’s diplomats and statesmen
• Access to, and a familiarity with, the historic art, objects, and primary sources in the collections of the Diplomatic Reception Rooms and U.S. Diplomacy Center
• Object-based learning techniques
• A strong, professional peer network
• A stipend
• PD credit available

PROGRAM DATES
July 15 - 19, 2019. The program consists of five days of on-site experiences at the U.S. Department of State. Participants are expected to attend the all-day sessions Monday through Friday, including two evening events.

WHO CAN APPLY
The U.S. Department of State Teacher Institute is open to teachers of social studies, the visual or performing arts, English language arts, school librarians, or those interested in bringing a global perspective into their classroom. Educators working with students in grades 6 to 12 are eligible to participate. Priority will be given to middle and high school educators who work directly with students.

SELECTION OF PARTICIPANTS
Based on their application, individuals will receive an email notification to confirm their admittance into this prestigious program.

DEADLINE
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