

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS



[PLATO \(Philosophy Learning and Teaching Organization\)](#)
& [AAPT \(American Association of Philosophy Teachers\)](#)

2014 Summer Seminar on Teaching & Learning in Philosophy for High School Teachers

Location: College of St. Benedict, St. John's University, Collegetown, Minnesota
Dates: July 30 – August 3, 2014
Seminar Facilitators: Wendy Turgeon (St. Joseph's College, New York)
Steven Goldberg (Oak Park and River Forest High School, Illinois)
Participants: Maximum of 15

DESCRIPTION

Through readings and interactive experiences over four days, seminar participants will explore issues, experiment with approaches, and engage in a community of reflection aimed at developing and improving high school philosophy teaching. Topics will include preparing to teach (for example, syllabus design), developing learning-centered philosophy classes, various methods for introducing philosophy to high school students, using traditional and non-traditional methods of assessment, and engaging in the scholarship of teaching and learning. We hope that the friendships and collegial relationships built here will be an invaluable part of this experience.

ELIGIBILITY

The seminar is open to both full and part-time high school teachers and librarians, as well as to administrators, substitute teachers and other classroom professionals. All applicants must be members of PLATO. You can join PLATO [here](#)

ATTENDANCE

Participants are required to attend all sessions, which will be held each morning, July 31-August 3. A voluntary social gathering will take place on the evening of July 30.

REGISTRATION, TRAVEL, HOUSING, & MEALS

The seminar will be held in conjunction with the [American Association of Philosophy Teachers \(AAPT\) Conference](#). Participants are encouraged to attend the regular conference sessions each afternoon and evening. The conference registration fee and cost of lodging for seminar participants will be paid by PLATO (approximately \$350 per participant). PLATO will also cover, with the help of a grant from the [American Philosophical Association](#), up to \$400 in travel costs for each participant (participants will make their own travel arrangements and be reimbursed). The cost of meals, approximately \$200 per person, will be the responsibility of the participants.

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To apply, please send the following three items, as attachments in one email message, to info@plato-philosophy.org

(1) Contact information:

Name

School

Grades and Subjects Taught

Address

Phone

Email

Summer Contact information (phone and/or email if different from above)

(2) Statement of interest (a description of what you hope to gain from the seminar)
(350 words or less)

(3) A letter of support from either the principal of your school or other supervisor such as a vice-principal or department chair. The letter should include a description of your teaching responsibilities in 2013-2014.

If you have questions or need additional information, please email info@plato-philosophy.org

APPLICATION DEADLINE: MARCH 15, 2014