

Application Form
Landscapes of Food, Culture, and Environment in England
Summer Institute
Virginia Geographic Alliance and Virginia Tech
July 8-23, 2008

This completed application form should be mailed to:

Department of Geography
115 Major Williams Hall (0115)
Virginia Tech
Blacksburg, VA 24061

Applications from qualified teachers will be accepted on a first come, first serve basis. Early Action Deadline for applications is January 15, 2008; applications will be accepted up to March 1, if space permits.

Note: You will need to have a valid passport to participate in this program. Please check your passport to make sure that it will be valid during the period of the program. If you do not have a passport, you should apply for one soon, because there can be considerable delays of up to six months in receiving new passports. We will need your passport information before we leave.

Your Personal Information

First Name	Middle Name	Last Name
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Home address: _____

Street / PO Box _____

City State Zip code: _____

Home phone: _____ Cell phone: _____

Email address: _____

School Information:

School District: _____

School Name: _____

School Address: _____

School Phone () _____

Please list one contact in case of emergency:

Contact Name:	Home phone: () _____
Relationship to applicant:	Work phone: () _____
Full Address:	Cell phone: () _____
Contact email:	

Have you participated in a previous Virginia Geographic Alliance summer institute? (Y/N) _____
 If yes, please enter the year and location of that institute (if several, list only the latest):

Qualifications:

Years of Teaching Experience: _____

Current Teaching Assignment: Grade Level: _____ Subjects: _____

Degree(s) Held, Years awarded, Majors, Institutions: _____

Below, list the name, title, and address of an administrator who would be willing to write a letter of recommendation for you. (Do not have the letter sent; the Institute Directors will request it, if necessary)

Please list any health issues the instructors must be aware of if you are selected for this Institute (allergies, medications, dietary restrictions, etc.).

Written Statement:

On a separate sheet, please write a short essay (1 page maximum) explaining why you would like to participate in this Institute, why you believe geographic education is important, and how you expect participating in this Institute will benefit your teaching. Attach the essay to this application.

We look forward to your participation in this rewarding educational experience.

Please have your administrator complete the section on the next page and include that with your application.

Administrator Section:

Dear Institute Directors:

This is to indicate that the school district of:

_____ (school district name)

supports the participation of applicant

_____ (applicant's name)

in the Summer Institute "Landscapes of Food, Culture, and Environment in England" for teachers led by Professors Lawrence S Grossman and James P. Campbell of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. I understand that if the above named individual is selected as a participant in the Institute, the district will provide at least two formal in-service opportunities before March 15, 2009, to share ideas gained from the Institute.

Sincerely,

_____ Signature

_____ Name Printed

_____ School District

_____ Address

_____ City, State, Zip Code

() _____ Phone Number

Thank you.