



6th Annual Teacher Summer Institute
Teacher Summer Institute
July 11-July 15, 2016
Call for Presentations

Deadline for submission: May 1, 2016

The Haitian American Caucus and Educate Haiti Now are holding their sixth annual teacher summer training institute (TSI) in Croix des Bouquets, Haiti. This year's theme is "Building communities through Quality Education" is also co-hosted by the *Organization of Teachers for the Change of Education in Haiti* (local teacher's union).

According to UNICEF, only 15% of teachers at the primary level have basic teacher qualifications (including university degrees), and nearly 25% have never even attended secondary school. To address this issue, TSI provides a forum to connect teachers in Haiti with those abroad. During TSI, certified trainers lead workshops, lectures, and seminars focused on enhancing teaching practices. These seminars provide a space for the exchange of ideas on contemporary and pragmatic education practices that will be applied to the classroom immediately.

We believe that a population that is educated is more capable of bringing positive change to their country. By participating in TSI, you will not only impact the teachers attending the conference but also the 3,000 - 4,000 students in their classrooms!

Presently, we are seeking **qualified teachers, scholars, school administrators, general health and mental health professionals** to present in our sixth TSI conference. **Please note that this is NOT a "mission trip." This is an education conference.**

Specifically, we are looking for the following skillset:

Content Knowledge

Math

- Multiple strategies for conducting mathematical operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication, division)
- Word problems: Modeling thinking (thinking box or Singapore math)

French

- Book study: Exploring the 4 components of reading (comprehension, accuracy, fluency and expanded vocabulary)
 - Requirement – Technical mastery of French language

Pedagogy

- Literacy/Reading instruction
- Child Psychology
- Art/Music instruction
- Teacher ethics
- Civic education
- Assessments
- Teaching visual learners
- Time management
- Effective communication
- Secondary education (all subjects)

The conference will consist of a one-week sessions, which will take place from July 11- 15, 2016. Below is the call for presenters. Please share this information with individuals that might be interested in presenting.

ABSTRACT TYPE:

All sessions should be designated as either *professional education* or *research-based and promote the pedagogy of teaching and learning* in Haiti. Presenters should be prepared to provide a training workshop as well a hand on workshop of how to implement the topic addressed such as creating materials with limited resources. Accepted sessions will be published in the conference program to help attendees determine the focus of the presentation. Presentations should present new research findings that are applicable to the education system in Haiti, but more importantly, they should consist of practical application strategies that teachers and administrators can utilize in the educational setting.

NOTE: The Program Review Committee will review only submissions made in accordance with the instructions. Submit papers or proposals in the attached template

All submissions should include:

1) **AUTHOR INFORMATION:** Each author’s name, affiliation, mailing address, phone, fax and email.

2) **Speaker BIOGRAPHY:** Brief bios for each author (50 words).

3) **TITLE AND TEXT:** Title of the proposal.

4) **Presentation Content**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Math content | <input type="checkbox"/> Teacher Ethics |
| <input type="checkbox"/> French content | <input type="checkbox"/> Civic education |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Math instruction | <input type="checkbox"/> Assessments |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Literacy/Reading | <input type="checkbox"/> Teaching visual learners |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Child psychology | <input type="checkbox"/> Time management |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Arts/Music instruction | <input type="checkbox"/> Effective Communication |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ | |

5) **APPLICABLE GRADE LEVEL**

- Pre-school
- Elementary
- High School
- Applicable to all levels
- Other _____

6) **ABSTRACT OF PROPOSAL:** (50-100 words).

7) **LEARNER OBJECTIVES:** 3-4 measurable learner objectives.

8) **AV EQUIPMENT:** Please choose from the following:

- Screen
 - Laptop and LCD Projector will be provided for PowerPoint but are limited.
 - Speakers for video clip/embedded video sound
- *Speakers are invited to bring their computers with PowerPoint and projectors.

9) **TYPES OF SESSION:** Please choose from the following:

- Mini seminar (45 minutes)
- Short course (90 minutes)

10) **PRESENTATION PREFERENCE:** Please choose from the following:

- Monday (morning)
- Monday (afternoon)
- Tuesday (morning)
- Tuesday (afternoon)
- Wednesday (morning)
- Thursday (morning)
- Thursday (afternoon)
- Friday (morning)

Presentation Requirements

Presenters are responsible for providing their own handouts. In order to have the presentations translated, accepted presentations must be submitted to Martine Elie at marelie@howard.edu by June 6, 2016. Presenters are required to provide practical information, supporting materials, and allow time for question and answer following the session. Additionally, presenters will be required to provide small breakout application activities as a follow up workshop to encourage participants to demonstrate their interpretation of the topic as well as develop resources to implement strategies within their environment.

Presenters who are coming to Haiti for the first time will be required to participate in a cultural orientation workshop prior to their arrival. PowerPoint presentations should not exceed 20 slides and should have minimal text. We want the audience to focus on the information you are providing verbally (through a translator if needed). Pictures are always good.

SUBMIT ALL PROPOSALS TO: Dr. Mo Baptiste mobaptiste1804@yahoo.com.

For papers with more than one presenter, the primary author will receive notification of acceptance. If your paper is accepted for presentation at TSI, official scheduling of your presentation will not take place until TSI receives confirmation of your travel. This is done to help prevent last-minute cancellations.

Important Dates:

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| Deadline for submission | May 1, 2016 |
| Presenters will be notified of their acceptance | May 15, 2016 |
| Deadline for presentations to be submitted for translation | June 6, 2016 |
| Flight Itinerary due | June 13, 2016 |

For questions email: Dr. Martine Elie marelie@howard.edu or Dr. Mo Baptiste mobaptiste1804@yahoo.com with questions. Thank you for your interest.

Lodging is available to presenters at HAC compound for \$325.00 per week, which includes tips. The HAC accommodations are hostel style. The shared sleeping quarters are equipped with single beds or bunk beds with fresh linens and mosquito nets. The HAC lodging quarters has two finished bathrooms, which are accessible from the living quarters. Individuals staying on the HAC compound get the unique experience of living above HAC's primary school and main center of operations. Lodging fees include transportation to and from the Airport and the HAC compound in Haiti; lodging (bunk bed, cot, or tent); community style meals (breakfast, lunch, dinner); clean drinking water; security in the compound; and wireless Internet access. Some HAC rooms are not equipped with air conditioning. Additional information about HAC housing is available at www.hac.org. PLEASE NOTE: You are not required to stay at the HAC compound if you wish not to. If the compound does not suit your needs, you are more than welcome to find your own lodging but you will be responsible for your own transportation to and from the compound.

Lodging is also available at Villa Mamika. Villa Mamika is a hotel which is located in La Plaine, just minutes away from the HAC compound. Villa Mamika has a variety of bungalow style housing and standard rooms. Transportation to the hotel is not included in the lodging fees but can be arranged through HAC for a fee. Breakfast and dinner are included. Additional information about Villa Mamika housing is available at <http://villamamikahaiti.com/>

Travel funds are not available through HAC or EHN.

Travel Requirements

It is recommended that all presenters traveling to Haiti have received their routine vaccinations which include influenza, chickenpox (or varicella), polio, measles/mumps/rubella (MMR), and diphtheria/pertussis/tetanus (DPT). Recommended travel vaccines include Hepatitis A & B, Malaria, Typhoid, and Rabies. For additional health information about traveling to Haiti, presenters should check the CDC website: <http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/destinations/haiti.htm>.

Visiting Haiti

Opportunities to visit the country and community *might* be available during the evenings and weekends. Please inquire for more information about visiting the Haiti. To inquire about visiting Haiti, please contact HAC at haiti@hacus.org about excursions and fees.

ABOUT HAC

The Haitian American Caucus-Haiti (HAC-Haiti) advances opportunity and improves the quality of life for the people of Haiti. We strengthen the capacity of communities through education and comprehensive community development. HAC-Haiti seeks to provide the tools, skills, and venue for individuals to take control of their destiny. We believe that by educationally, economically, and socially, empowering women, children, and families we can create strength that will build a better Haiti. For further information about HAC-Haiti please visit the website at www.HAC-Haiti.org

Donations of school supplies to the Ecole Shalome of HAC-Haiti are gladly accepted.

ABOUT EDUCATE HAITI NOW

We believe that education is the answer to eradicating Haiti's cycle of poverty and instability because it gives people access to a better quality of life. A population who is educated is more capable of bringing positive change to their country. Our mission is to rehabilitate the education sector in Haiti so that all Haitian children have ACCESS to QUALITY schooling. For further information about Educate Haiti Now, please visit the website at www.educatehaitinow.org

To see TSI in action, click on the link below.

TSI 2015 → <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vwVn78vn0Vg>

TSI 2014 → <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lyT9FIkeLNQ>

To hear from previous presenters

TSI presenter

http://youtu.be/Mj_LS2pi9rk

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-xEXWCn1zXY>

Media coverage by Metro News Ayiti

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MvqYk4uKv_4&feature=youtu.be