



SCHOOL OF CIVIC LEADERSHIP

THE AMERICAN CIVIC TRADITION

Professional Development Seminar
for Teachers



This three-day seminar offers a deep engagement with ideas, actors, and thinkers who have shaped American civics. Teachers will engage with a selection of texts from the founding era through the early twenty-first century. Sessions will be taught by faculty from both The University of Texas and other institutions from around the state.

Each seminar provides teachers with 20 hours of professional development and the chance to network with excellent teachers from across the Houston area. Parking, along with breakfast and lunch are provided free of charge. Apply today!

Teachers will receive a stipend of \$1,000

SEMINAR DELIVERABLES

- Deepen your understanding of the American political tradition's animating idea.
- Think with key figures who shaped the republican government in the United States.
- Trace the influence of the founding on the trajectory of American civics.
- Translate these primary text into concrete lesson plans and classroom activities.

FACULTY

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Register
here



June 22nd-24th, 25th-27th, 2026
Norris Conference Center
Houston City Centre

DAILY SCHEDULE

Breakfast 8:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.
Session I: 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.
Session II: 10:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.
Lunch 12:15 p.m. to 1:15 p.m.
Session III: 1:15 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

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Themes and Texts Include

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Interaction Between the Branches of Government

Federalism

Slavery and The Constitution

American Foreign Policy

American Political Economy

American Political Imagination