MIDDLE SCHOOL-LEVEL AGI/EXXONMOBIL GEOSCIENCE AND STEM TEACHING AND LEARNING ACADEMY 2023

ATLANTA, GEORGIA, JULY 19-22, 2023

With funding from the ExxonMobil Exploration Company, the American Geosciences Institute (AGI) is recruiting middle school-level public school teachers from across the country for the 2023 AGI/ExxonMobil Geoscience and STEM Teaching and Learning Academy (TLA). This academy will build on AGI's long-standing expertise and extensive resources in geoscience education and is designed for teachers who have recently entered Earth and space science teaching roles. The TLA will combine opportunities for geoscience content knowledge and pedagogical skill development, as well as for networking among participants. Review of applications will begin May 1 and will continue until the academy is filled.

This academy is recommended for grade 5 to 8 teachers and will include online and face-to-face experiences across the 2023-2024 academic year. The face-to-face portion of the academy will take place in Atlanta, Georgia July 19-22, 2023. Participants will be provided with room and board in an Atlanta hotel for the duration of the TLA. Each participant will be reimbursed up to \$200 for travel expenses in getting to and from Atlanta.

Online portions of the academy experience will begin with an introductory **1-hour webinar on June 28**. Four additional **1-hour** webinars will take place throughout the academic year with dates to be determined. The webinars will take place at 7PM Eastern Time to accommodate teachers' schedules across the US.



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The academy will provide teachers with hands-on and data-rich Earth science teaching materials and techniques designed to assist teachers in building their own Earth science knowledge, professional networks, and familiarity with resources across the Earth science education community, including those provided by AGI and other organizations.

Teachers can apply for the 2023 AGI/ExxonMobil Geoscience and STEM Teaching and Learning Academy by completing the form at (https://bit.ly/2023-TLA-survey) and submitting supporting documents.

When applying, you'll be asked to provide:

- 1. A completed online application form with basic contact information
- 2.A 300- to 500-word interest statement describing your motivation for attending the academy and how you believe it will affect your development as a teacher.
- 3. Your resume including your teaching experience with dates and past professional development. Other information (e.g., extra-curricular activities) may also be included as you choose. Email this resume as instructed on the application.
- 4. Contact information for an administrator from whom you have requested a recommendation letter on school letterhead. The recommendation letter will be sent by the administrator directly to AGI at tla@americangeosciences.org. The administrator will be contacted only if there is a need to follow up in

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obtaining the letter.

Note: An academy for elementary school teachers will also be offered, with the face-to-face portion being in Atlanta **July 16-19**. For more information about the elementary school TLA please visit: https://bit.ly/2023-TLA-elementaryschool