

USPTO NATIONAL SUMMER TEACHER INSTITUTE 2016

The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) invites you to apply to our 3rd Annual [National Summer Teacher Institute](#) (NSTI) on Innovation, STEM and Intellectual Property on **July 17-22, 2016** at Michigan State University. Fifty teachers from across the US will be selected to participate in the 2016 Class. A goal of this professional development and training program is to help teachers understand how to invent and redesign things through multiple iterations, to democratize and understand the processes and practices of engineering, science, and innovation, and to stimulate student learning about how new products are developed and commercialized by testing prototypes quickly and cost-effectively.

Deadline for submitting your [online application](#) is Monday, April 18, 2016!

THE USPTO NATIONAL SUMMER TEACHER INSTITUTE:

- Gives teachers tools to incorporate invention and innovation into their classroom curriculum.
- Covers practical lesson strategies and student-tested activities that meet NGSS standards.
- Includes lesson plans highlighting USPTO resources on patents, trademarks, and copyright resources for classroom use.
- Provides access to a dynamic range of guest speakers, including USPTO experts, inventors, scientists and engineers from the Science of Innovation curriculum, teacher Maker Education ambassadors, and representatives from other federal government agencies and non-profits.

Do you know a teacher who'd like to connect STEM to real world applications in the classroom? Tell them about this program!

WHY TEACHERS SHOULD APPLY:

- NSTI is designed for K-12 educators.
- NSTI combines experiential training tools, practices, and project-based learning models.
- NSTI helps teachers inspire and motivate student achievement in STEM disciplines, by using Intellectual property as both a teaching and learning model.
- Travel and lodging expenses will be covered for teachers who are selected to participate in this program and reside more than 50 miles from the venue in accordance with Federal Travel Regulations and USPTO travel policy.

[Online applications](#) are due **April 18, 2016**. Instructions are available on the [NSTI website](#).

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