

Registration Fees

For information on the conference:

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Please remit \$940.00 (\$895.24) plus \$44.76 (GST) per participant. GST Registration #13492 8860 RT0001
(Registration form on other side)

Pre-conference assignments are required. Maximum benefits of the experience can be attained only via your full participation. If you are unable to commit to the entire seminar, we invite you to come another year.

CANCELLATION POLICY:

Before April 2, 2018 - payment will be refunded minus a \$50 administrative fee. After April 2, 2018 there will be no refunds.

Registration Information

Total cost for each participant includes seminar registration, three nights' accommodation, all meals and all seminar materials. Registration is limited so apply early to avoid disappointment. Upon receipt of your registration and payment, you will receive additional information to help you in your planning.

Many people apply to attend this seminar. Enrollment is limited to 45 participants from across Manitoba and Ontario.

Participants' Comments

This was a wide representation of good classroom dynamics and management. I really appreciated the minimal structure and the encouragement to relax and collaborate in a safe place. Aubrey Doerkson, RRC

This seminar promoted professional growth beyond comparison to other seminars. We were able to be ourselves. We operated on a level playing field and enjoyed a positive atmosphere. Sandy Forrest, ACC

This was a very positive experience. Learning is UNcomfortable and I was uncomfortable a few times over the week – but I always felt safe and respected. Karlene Cifuentes, RRC

This was such a great and refreshing event. Discovering that we all struggle with similar issues is really encouraging and finding solutions together was very inspiring. Jonathan Mitchell, RRC

Thank you so much. I feel affirmed and supported to engage meaningfully with students and material in a non-traditional and less formal manner. Colleen Isfeld, RRC

This was excellent. Collaborating with like-minded colleagues who are striving to improve their teaching practice created a valuable experience for me. Mitchell Hengen, ACC

This seminar was among the BEST I have ever had the honour of being a part of. I leave humbled, honoured, and emboldened. Connie Wyatt-Anderson, UCN

Awesome! The best conference ever! Too many things to mention... "minimal rigid structure"... "It's not worth the jail time"... "may invest in a travelling lamp shade!" Should be renamed the Great Teacher Rejuvenation Retreat! Karen Dyck, ACC

I loved how our conversations steered the conference. I felt heard. Thank you for the time to reflect and get to know one another. Kelly Barr, UCN

I am heading back to school feeling very encouraged. I am very grateful!! Pamela McLeod, RRC

17th Annual Prairie Region Great Teacher Seminar

May 14-17, 2018

Elkhorn Resort
Riding Mountain
National Park



The Seminar

The Prairie Region Great Teacher Seminar is a three-day, intensive seminar that provides an opportunity to learn about and reflect on the challenges faced by educators in a range of professional environments. The format, which is purposely unstructured, evolves from an ongoing assessment of conference participants' needs.

The Great Teacher Seminar was founded in Illinois in 1969 by David Gottshall, a college educator. He was motivated by his desire to be a great teacher. Today, there are seminars throughout North American and beyond. Each follows the same format and provides participants with a unique professional development experience.

Based on the belief that professional educators learn best from other professional educators, participants will build on each others practical ideas through discussion and exploration of teaching strategies, innovations, problems and solutions. The theme underlying all seminar activities is the perpetual challenge to identify the characteristics of the Great Teacher.

“In the search for professional excellence, there is so much more beyond a teaching field or an educational specialization that one must know, understand, and believe in . . . The Great Teacher Seminar provides an opportunity for educators to live and share for an extended period of time with peers representing a wide range of specialties, talents, experiences and interests.”

*~David Gottshall, Founder,
National Great Teachers Movement*

The Purpose

- ◆ To analyze instructional problems and to find realistic, creative approaches to their solution.
- ◆ To enable educators to venture beyond the limits of their own specializations and environments in search of the universals of teaching.
- ◆ To stimulate the exchange of information and ideas among educators by building communication networks among participants.
- ◆ To promote introspection and self-appraisal by providing a supportive environment in which participants may seriously reflect on the knowledge, skills and personal attributes that influence their professional practice.
- ◆ To celebrate teaching **FOR** learning.

The Facilitators

A team of highly skilled facilitators from a variety of disciplines will direct the Great Teacher Seminar. This team models the facilitation practices of David Gottshall, founder of the National Great Teacher movement.

The Site

Elkhorn Resort Spa and Conference Centre is located 2 ½ hours from Winnipeg adjacent to Riding Mountain National Park and just 1 hour north of Brandon. The over-sized guest rooms offer deluxe accommodations in a fresh country setting. Facilities include an indoor pool, indoor and outdoor hot tubs, a cedar sauna, and a fully equipped exercise and weight room. An on-site massage therapist and spa treatments are available at reasonable rates.

Seminar Registration Form (Please Print)

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City/Town _____ Province _____ Postal Code _____

Cell Phone number: _____

E-mail address: _____

Discipline (s) _____ Years of teaching, training or facilitating experience: _____

Organization: _____

Please submit registration form to RRC by March 16, 2018. Payment will be invoiced to your respective Accounts Payable Department from the Red River College Controller's Office, C212 -2055 Notre Dame Ave, Winnipeg, MB R3H 0J9

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