



Social Studies DBQ Workshop Series

The DBQ (Document Based Question) Workshop series is designed to help teachers implement rigorous reading, writing and thinking activities with students of all skill levels and to increase student proficiency in generating evidence-based arguments.

For students, the [DBQ Project](#) provides a sampling of primary and secondary resources on a specific topic. Students have the opportunity to explore and analyze, organize their thinking, and craft evidence-based responses to essential questions. The DBQ Project page provides short videos describing how it works, including [what students have to say](#) about DBQs.

Workshops will be facilitated by leaders of the national DBQ Project and are suitable for Maine's 6-12 social studies teachers. Registration will be limited to 40 participants per site; registration deadline is Feb, 27, 2015.

The March workshop session will introduce the DBQ Project Method and supports. Educators will select a suite of materials to best meet their students' needs and will be asked to teach a DBQ lesson and collect student work prior to the May workshop. The May workshop session will provide an opportunity for teachers to analyze their students' work and provide an opportunity to learn from their colleagues. Ongoing virtual support will be available between workshop sessions. Agendas will be provided in advance to registered participants.

Participants will choose one site and attend both sessions at the selected site:

- Brewer: March 9 AND May 6 from 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Jeff's Catering: East/West Industrial Park; 15 Littlefield Way; Brewer, ME
- Portland: March 10 AND May 8 from 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Embassy Suites: 1050 Westbrook St.; Portland, ME

Participants will select one Teacher Resource Binder which will be distributed to those present at the March workshop session. Prior to completing the online registration (linked below), please see the [DBQ Project Library](#) to determine which set of materials will best meet your needs.

Cost: \$50.00 registration fee includes lunch for both days and the Teacher Resource Binder of your choosing (a \$350.00 value). Up to 14 contact hours will also be provided.

[Complete the online registration form](#) by Feb. 27, 2015.

After completing the online registration, make checks or purchase order payable to **Treasurer, State of Maine** and mail to **Carole King**: 23 State House Station; Augusta, ME 04330.

An email confirmation will be sent within a week of receiving your registration. Cancellations received after Feb. 27, 2015 are non-refundable.

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