



eduWeavers invites educators from across the United States to join us in a carefully crafted journey of service, teaching, learning, and partnership in South Africa during the summer of 2009.

Theory:

Bringing together an alliance of both US and South African governments and independent organizations, this journey will serve the needs, interests, and goals of educators from both countries. Participants will both teach and learn through participatory discussions and presentations with South African teachers, lectures from leading South African scholars and leaders in the field of education, and interactions with their peers in home and school settings.

Practice:

You will add value to your classroom in terms of content, methodology, and new perspectives. You will act as teachers as well as learners, sharing your expertise with South African teachers in your pedagogical or content area. All participants will be asked to formally present a paper or give a talk on a topic of his/her choice that will further the goal of sharing pedagogy and practice across the globe.* Finally, together with your South African peers, you will learn about the theory and practice of school-to-school partnership from experts in the field and from administrators and teachers who have enjoyed great success in interacting across international borders.

Logistics:

Dates: Wednesday, July 22, 2009 – Saturday, August 1, 2009
Fee: \$3,000 USD (not including airfare)
Deposit: \$300 USD (non-refundable, due by February 15, 2009)

A comprehensive 10-day/11-night journey will include multiple opportunities for professional and cultural learning and interacting. All travel arrangements, conference requirements, and meals listed below will be organized by eduWeavers and will be included in the cost of the trip. All accommodations will be of a high standard. The journey weaves together a variety of settings - the rural communities/villages of Maputaland and central KwaZulu-Natal, the urban townships of Cape Town, UNESCO natural heritage sites, and the Cape winelands. Note that to date, we are still in the process of making a few final logistical decisions; consequently, the names of the hotels at which we will be staying will be available sometime prior to the date of the deposit due date. A luxury bus provided by South Africa's premier bus company has also been secured. Please see table below for a detailed, tentative daily itinerary.

*The paper or talk should take no longer than 20 minutes. You will have the opportunity to give it more than once, because you will meet different groups of South African educators in the various urban and rural settings on the journey. This component of the trip is simply meant to open important doors towards a shared understanding of education practices, and it should not add undue pressure to the total experience.

Day	Date	Hotel Stay	Activity	Transportation	Notes
1	Wed., July 22	To be determined, Stellenbosch	Arrival; Welcome dinner	No arranged transportation to hotel	Celebratory Cape- style kick-off dinner
2	Thurs., July 23	To be determined, Stellenbosch	Mini-Conference: University of Western Cape (UWC)	Organized bus to conference	Full breakfast provided by hotel; Lunch provided at UWC
3	Fri., July 24	To be determined, Stellenbosch	Township tours; District 6 Museum and school visits	Organized bus to conference	Full breakfast provided by hotel
4	Sat., July 25	To be determined, Stellenbosch	Morning Partnership Workshop; free afternoon	Organized bus if necessary (for workshop only)	Full breakfast provided by hotel
5	Sun., July 26	Imperial Hotel, Pietermaritzburg (PMB)	Morning flight to Durban; U.S. Consulate Briefing; visit to KwaMuhle Museum	Morning Flight; Organized bus from Stellenbosch to Cape Town airport and from Durban to PMB	Full breakfast provided by hotel; Lunch provided at KwaMuhle Museum
6	Mon., July 27	Imperial Hotel, Pietermaritzburg	Mini-Conference: Natal Museum	No transportation necessary	Full breakfast provided by hotel; Lunch provided at Natal Museum
7	Tues., July 28	To be determined, St Lucia	Mini-Conference: Albert Luthuli Museum	Organized bus from PMB to Stanger; organized bus from Stanger to St Lucia	Full breakfast provided by hotel; Lunch provided at Luthuli Museum
8	Wed., July 29	Tembe Elephant Park, KwaZulu- Natal (KZN)	Morning breakfast cruise on the St Lucia Estuary	Organized bus from St Lucia to Tembe Elephant Park; Sunset wildlife-viewing drive at Tembe	Full breakfast on cruise; Dinner provided by Tembe Elephant Park*
9	Thurs., July 30	Tembe Elephant Park, KZN	Partnership Workshop; Evening of oral history stories with Zulu King Israel Tembe, historian William Mhlangu, and historian Dr. Trevor Getz	Organized bus to and from workshop site if necessary	Full breakfast, box lunch, and dinner provided by Tembe Elephant Park
10	Fri., July 31	Tembe Elephant Park, KZN	School visits; Opportunities to personally connect with local educators; Evening debriefing	Various options in place to ensure school visits in small groups to local schools	Full breakfast, box lunch, and dinner provided by Tembe Elephant Park
11	Sat., August 1	To be determined, Durban	Return drive to Durban; Farewell Feast celebrating Durban's Indian flavors	Organized bus	Full breakfast; Farewell Feast

Total Fee: 3,000 USD (\$300 USD non-refundable deposit due by February 15, 2009)

Please note that minimum participation for this trip is 10 people; should fewer than 10 people sign up, your deposit will be refunded.

Fees Include:

- 11 Nights Accommodation (shared room assumption; please contact eduWeavers for rates if you would like your own room) *Tembe Elephant Park is pending confirmation
- 10 Full Breakfasts
- 5 Dinners
- 6 Lunches
- Wildlife-viewing breakfast cruise and sunset drive
- Daily ad hoc and organized discussions with Prof. Trevor Getz, African historian, SFSU, and “resident expert” at all events associated with the trip
- Organized transportation to and from all eduWeavers-sponsored events except for the Farewell Dinner in Durban
- All tour materials, tour guides, and speakers necessary for the various activities

Note that there will be an additional airfare cost between Cape Town and Durban. Some purchased tickets between the U.S. and South Africa include the opportunity for one “free” internal flight. Other tickets do not. Specifics on booking this flight will be available once the trip is finalized (towards the end of January 2009). Should you need to purchase the ticket, it can range in cost from \$150 - \$300 USD.

At each hotel check-in, one credit card per room will be needed for any additionally incurred charges.

Note: Please remember to book your own accommodation for the evening of Saturday, August 1, in Durban. We are currently holding rooms in Durban and will offer those to interested participants to reserve at their discretion once they have committed to the trip.

Additional costs during the trip may include:

- Taxi fare to and from restaurants for dinner on evenings when dinner is not included
- Lunch and dinner costs at times when it is not specifically provided (see detailed itinerary)
- Curio purchases
- Snack purchases
- Phone calls and internet fees

Potential Additional Workshops at Mini-Conferences Provided By:

- One Laptop Per Child (www.laptop.org)
- Facing History and Ourselves (www.facing.org)
- TPRS – Teaching Proficiency through Reading and Storytelling (www.blaineraytprs.com)
(Note: Relationship with Total Physical Response)

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