

Teach India Project

Global Studies K to 12

Professional Development, Curriculum Design and Community Outreach

The Teach India Project offers the following global studies programs for schools districts:

- Professional development programs for educators: workshops, lectures and seminars, as well as site visits.

Topics fall under three themes: cultural explorations, Vedic math and the study of modern India.

Please see next page for a selection of workshop topics offered.

- Curriculum development: Identifying resource materials, sourcing primary source materials for classrooms
- Outreach in the community to promote parent involvement: Work with the school district to design and implement culturally sensitive interventions for creating and improving school to parent and parent to school communications and interactions

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Mission of the Teach India Project

The Mission of the Teach India Project is to work with educators and parents to create global studies and multicultural programs so that our children can live, work and contribute, confidently and responsibly, in an increasingly interconnected world.

Global Studies and India

Global studies is the study of political, economic, social and cultural relationships of the world and we hope to have a common understanding with teachers that -

Global Studies can be infused throughout the curriculum

Global studies are interdisciplinary and open up the study of big cross border issues like climate change, migration and economic globalization.

Global studies include the study of cultures and global connections. And that the reality of globalization demands that students be well educated in global studies.

Content Areas

We offer programs of study about India and hope that participants will be able to acquire the knowledge and frameworks to generalize from that study and apply that learning in their work with students.

The geographic focus of our work is India

Subject content areas include but are not limited to the social studies, literature and art.

We promote cultural literacy about India and other cultures across all content areas and themes of study as described in state and national education frameworks for K to 12 students.

Approach to working with school districts

We aim to create partnerships and a longer term relationship with your school district.

The longer engagement is to support your school district through the complete professional development cycle of planning, delivery, implementation, tracking, assessment and improvement of programs of study.

Working within your district and state frameworks we offer a deep understanding of both frameworks and content knowledge to infuse the curriculum with global studies.

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Professional Development for K to 12 Educators

The following workshops and lecture demonstrations are offered by the Teach India Project as part of Professional Development programs for K to 12 educators. Under various themes, sessions are of two hours duration. The typical structure is as follows: 10 minutes introduction, 45 minutes lecture/demonstration, 15 minutes break, 20 minutes individual activity, 20 minutes group activity/discussion, 10 minutes wrap-up. Group activities will be by grade level.

Presenters are scholars, researchers and practicing artists and writers: all experts in their fields.

Cultural Explorations: Traditions, Music, Art and Folk Life

Rites of Passage: Cultural traditions of rice in India

Introduction to Indian music with three musical instruments

Folk life and folk art: Heart of cultural traditions

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Discover Vedic Math: A fast, easy and fun way to do math

We offer this workshop as a set of 5 sessions of two hours each to teach simple Vedic Math strategies to solve a wide range of mathematical problems. The sessions are developed and designed to focus on practical tools that can be easily and effectively used in math classrooms to make math learning more fun, and to build the confidence and competence of students.

Modern India

Introduction to Modern South Asia: A historian's perspective

The Genesis of the India-Pakistan conflict in Kashmir

More

Three lessons mapped to the NCSS national standards for social studies

Cultural Parenting: A parent workshop

Site visits: To the "other" places in your neighborhood