



2019 Educator Academy in the Amazon Rainforest *Vernier HS/AP* Applied Technology Grant*

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Grant Application Deadline is February 1, 2019

As part of our commitment to rainforest education and professional development, Amazon Rainforest Workshops and Vernier Software & Technology are pleased to offer a **\$1500 HS/AP Applied Technology Grant** to join the **2019 Educator Academy in the Amazon**. We are seeking one HS/AP Science educator applicant who demonstrates a strong commitment to bringing the Amazon experience and Vernier data collection technology back to their classroom in very tangible ways and sharing their experience with future academy participants and the Vernier Software & Technology network. In order to be considered for the Vernier HS/AP Applied Technology Grant, **applicants must be a practicing HS/AP Science educator**.

Please review the Academy syllabus and review the Academy goals and objectives prior to completing your application.

<http://amazonworkshops.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/2019-Academy-Syllabus-DRAFT-7.23.18.pdf>

Please review the Vernier LabQuest2 overview prior to completing your application.

<https://www.vernier.com/platforms/labquest-2/>

This is a fillable form. Please click into the shaded areas to complete.

Name _____

Home Address _____ City/State/Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Cell _____ E-mail _____

School/Organization _____ School/Office Phone _____

of years teaching HS/AP Science: _____

HS/AP Courses currently teaching: _____

Education and/or professional memberships _____

How did you learn about this opportunity? _____

Part 1: Personal Commitment

As a Vernier HS/AP Applied Technology Grant applicant for the 2019 Educator Academy in the Amazon, I believe in my ability to educate, enlighten, and engage others in understanding and exploring the world we share. I intend to be a positive, active, and engaged participant before, during, and after the Amazon field experience.

Please enter your responses to the following questions in the space provided.

1. When thinking about yourself as a learner and an HS/AP Science educator, what is your motivation for joining the 2019 Educator Academy in the Amazon? What key environmental questions, content, and ideas do you hope to explore as a result?

2. How will your participation support your personal/professional learning goals and help you grow as an educator?

3. In what ways will your participation enhance the camaraderie and overall experience of the expedition group?

Part 2: Commitment to Students, Colleagues, and Community

The future of the Amazon and the future of our planet depend on our youth. As a Vernier AP Applied Technology grant applicant, I will apply what I learn in the Amazon with my students and share with my district and/or professional community as well as the Amazon Workshops and Vernier Software & Technology networks.

Drawing upon what you hope to gain from the 2019 Educator Academy and access to Vernier LabQuest2 technology, please answer the following questions:

- 1) **How might you apply Vernier LabQuest2 technology deepen your students' understanding of the Amazon? What data might you collect and how will this help you and your students make local to global connections?**

- 2) **What role does technology currently have in your curriculum? Are you currently using technology outside the laboratory to investigate environmental issues? If so, please describe. If not, please share your ideas on how you might do this in the future.**

- 3) **What action plan/activities are you are committed to carrying out in order to share your Amazon experience with your HS/AP students, school/colleagues, and professional organizations? (Include key activities, application of Vernier LabQuest2 technology, and a proposed timeline.)**

Scholarship Terms and Conditions

If selected to receive a grant of \$1500 toward my participation in the July 1-11, 2019 Educator Academy in the Amazon Rainforest, I agree to provide education outreach, marketing collaboration, and counsel for the Amazon Rainforest Workshops program and Vernier Software & Technology in the following ways:

1. I will execute the key activities outlined in my action plan as proposed in my application and will share the results and tangible products (lessons, activities, slide shows, video, etc.) with the Academy faculty, future participants in the Academy program, and Vernier Software & Technology.
2. I will acknowledge the Amazon Rainforest Workshops and Vernier Software & Technology as a source of inspiration with a link or URL on the materials or graphics created as a result of my participation in the Educator Academy in the Amazon.
3. I will submit an article and/or apply to present for a state, regional, or national education organization of which I am a member about the Academy (as a source of inspiration and professional development); connecting my experience to at least one key A.P Environmental Science issue/content topic/pedagogy trend that the Academy addresses and submit it for acceptance by a mutually agreed upon time, but no later than 6 months after my return.
4. I will be a partner in exploring and generating awareness of the Amazon Rainforest Workshops and Vernier Software & Technology through channels of social media, assist in placing announcements on listservs/discussion boards/forums and whenever possible distribute flyers at conferences of which I attend.

Name (print) _____

Date _____

Upon Completion of your application:

Email your form as an attachment to christa@amazonworkshops.com.

If your version of Adobe Acrobat does not allow the form to be saved, you may print your completed form (use BLACK ink if hand written) and send a scan via email (christa@amazonworkshops.com) or fax (800-626-8992)

Questions? Call Christa Dillabaugh, Director, Educator Academy in the Amazon at 800-431-2624 or email christa@amazonworkshops.com

Applications are evaluated by a team of past participants and members of the Amazon Rainforest Workshops advisory board and Vernier Software & Technology. **Applications are due no later than February 1, 2019.** Applicants will be notified of results no later than February 15, 2019.