



Application Timeline

Information on the current Fellowship session will be made available in early December.

February 2	Application opens
May 1	Application closes
May 15	Acceptance decisions made
June 15	Payment due
July 12	Learning fun begins!

The Belin-Blank Talent Development Fellowship runs Monday through Thursday. Because classes begin on Monday morning, the Fellows are asked to arrive on campus by late Sunday afternoon for dinner and an introductory session.

A complete schedule for the week will be released at least one week prior to the start of the Fellowship. An exciting addition to the Fellowship is full participation in the Belin-Blank Advanced Learner Institute (July 15, 2026). More information to follow.

Cost and Payment

The Fellowship is possible thanks to a generous endowment, which covers residence hall housing, breakfast and lunch (Monday through Thursday), dinner (Sunday and Tuesday night only), materials, Belin-Blank Advanced Learners Institute registration, access to the University of Iowa library, and presentations from leaders in gifted education.

Accepted participants' schools will be invoiced a fee to help cover the cost of the Fellowship. The fee is \$200 for Iowa schools and \$400 for non-Iowa Schools. Fellows are responsible for travel and personal spending.

The Belin-Blank Center never wants cost to be a barrier to its programming. If you are in need of financial assistance, please contact Dr. Randy Lange at randolph-lange@uiowa.edu.



Apply Today!

For more information and to apply for the Fellowship, please visit us at:

belinblank.org/fellowship

"The Belin-Blank Fellowship was a game-changer for me."

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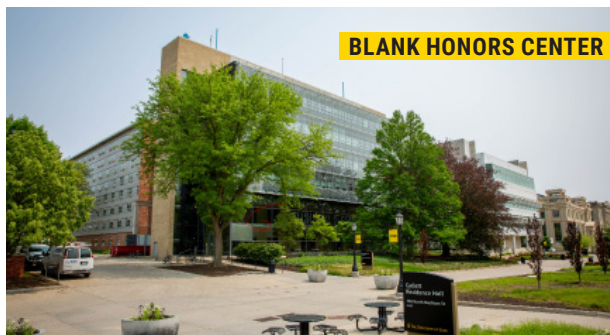
An engaging in-person workshop to **INSPIRE** educators with little to no experience working with advanced learners



**On-Campus at the University of Iowa
July 12 - 16, 2026**

About the Fellowship

The Belin-Blank Talent Development Fellowship is a unique face-to-face professional learning opportunity for educators with little to no experience working with advanced learners to learn more about meeting this population's needs. The Fellows experience an immersive workshop that spans five days on the University of Iowa's campus



Specific Goals

- ◇ Understand the needs of advanced learners
- ◇ Obtain the tools to provide advanced learners with an appropriate education
- ◇ Apply research-based practices to advanced learners' academic, social, and emotional needs
- ◇ Establish collaborative relationships with the Belin-Blank Center and district/school staffs

The Fellowship, run continuously since 1981, is designed to provide a practical approach for educators and utilizes a curriculum with school-friendly resources, examples, and templates. Learning occurs through an interactive setting facilitated by mentors with expertise in working with advanced learners. Participants will reflect on their current instructional practices, and leave the Fellowship with a context-based, individual project framework that will help them to implement what they have learned in the school setting. The staff at the Belin-Blank Center will check in after the start of the school year to ensure that participants have the tools they need.



Eligibility

This program is designed for educators who are interested in building their capacity to better meet the needs of advanced learners, but have little to no coursework or training regarding this population. While general education teachers are a logical fit, counselors and instructional coaches are strongly encouraged to apply. TAG coordinators with no more than two years of experience may apply as well. **Priority** is provided to **Iowa educators**.

Integrate new understandings about advanced learners, and effective strategies into the core curriculum.

Nurture the social and emotional needs of advanced students.

Support instructional strategies that will allow for variations according to student need.

Provide information about the Belin-Blank Center and its services.

Inforn parents of advanced students about appropriate opportunities and resources;

Revue newly acquired information and instructional strategies with classroom and special area educator.

Effectively collaborate with district coordinators and advanced program educators of gifted programs.

Certification and Credit

All participants in the Fellowship receive a certificate of completion. For an optional fee, participants are also eligible to earn Iowa Licensure Renewal Units and University of Iowa academic credit.

Iowa Licensure Renewal

Iowa educators who participate in the Fellowship may also register for two Iowa Licensure Renewal Units through the University of Iowa's Baker Teacher Leader Center (BTLC). Participants seeking Renewal Units must complete an additional registration and pay an additional fee of \$100, both directly to the BTLC.

University Academic Credit

Participants in the Fellowship may enroll in one or two semester hours of University of Iowa academic credit, with a choice of graduate or undergraduate credit. Registration for academic credit is completed through the University of Iowa directly. Because the two follow-up sessions will take place in the fall, academic credit will be awarded for the fall semester following the summer Fellowship component.

An additional fee and registration are required for academic credit.

Come Learn With Us!

For more information on the Iowa Licensure Renewal or University Academic Credit, please visit

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