



ASSERT Application Guidelines

ASSERT will offer a hybrid option for Meridian campus faculty for Spring 2027

Faculty Support

Faculty support is available (i.e. course release) for ASSERT participants. We encourage faculty members to have a conversation with their chair about whether a course release could be supported.

Personal & Institutional Information

You'll begin by entering your identifying and institutional information.

1. **Choose your title from the dropdown menu**
 - Select your current professional title (e.g., Assistant Professor, Lecturer, etc.).
2. **Department/Program/Unit**
 - Enter the full name of the department, program, or unit in which you work.
3. **Select your College from the menu**
4. **Select which campus you are located at**

Application Questions

Use this section to reflect on your professional experiences and goals. Be specific, authentic, and concise.

1. **What is one of the most challenging aspects of your professional career, and how do you approach it?**
 - Briefly describe a key challenge.
 - Focus on how you manage, address, or grow through this challenge.
2. **What accomplishment in your professional career are you most proud of, and why?**
 - Highlight a meaningful achievement.
 - Explain the context and its impact on your professional journey.
3. **What is one thing that you will bring to the cohort?**
 - Consider what unique perspective, skill, or experience you can contribute.
 - Think about how this would benefit a collaborative learning environment.
4. **What do you hope to gain from this program?**
 - Reflect on your personal and professional development and research goals.
 - Consider skills, experiences, or insights you hope to develop through your participation.
5. **[Haiku] Why do you want to participate in the ASSERT cohort?**
 - A haiku is a 3-line poem (5 syllables / 7 syllables / 5 syllables).



- Be creative, sincere, and keep it relevant to your purpose and interest in the program.

Weekly Workshop Availability – Spring Semester

IMPORTANT: Attendance is mandatory. Participants will be expected to engage fully with cohort activities, including completing assigned readings and projects.

- Review the list of weekly meeting time options.
 - Monday 10am - 11:30am
 - Wednesday 10am -11:30am
 - Thursday 3pm - 4:30pm
- Select **every** time that you are available to attend.
- These sessions are essential; protect the time(s) you indicate.
- If your schedule does not allow attendance at any listed time, please apply to a future cohort.

Retreat Availability Confirmation

The cohort includes a **mandatory spring retreat** in collaboration with Boise State University:

- **Dates:** Friday–Sunday, April 16-18
- **Location:** Ketchum, Idaho
- **Costs:** All travel expenses paid
- **Requirement:** Attendance at the retreat is required to participate in the cohort.

If you **cannot** attend the retreat, **do not apply this year**. Plan to apply in a future cycle when you are available.

Final Tips

- Double-check all dates and availability before submitting.
- Be authentic and thoughtful in your written responses.
- Submit your application before the deadline of **September 25th**.
- Discuss whether or not you will need a course release with your Department Chair.

If you have any technical issues or questions about eligibility, reach out to the ASSERT Program Coordinator Emma Fox-Fogle| emmafoxfogle@ISU.edu