

JOSEPH WILLIAM PORTER

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Associate Professor of Mathematics and Physics  
Bluefield State Teachers College  
West Virginia

Mathematics

Not in a class with top  
math applicants  
Peer professors speak well  
of him but not sure he  
can qualify for Ph.D.  
No use considering merely "good"  
material

Name Joseph William Porter Field: Mathematics

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### Plan of Work

I wish to work toward a doctorate in Mathematics. I believe that in one school year I can finish all my course requirements and take my preliminary examination. If possible I should then like to continue a second year and write my dissertation.

Wishes to attend the University of Pennsylvania under Dr. J. R. Kline, for one year beginning September, 1942. Has been admitted. Will return to present position.

Personal Data Born Wilmington, Delaware, December 1911. Age: 30  
Married. 3-A

Undergraduate Work University of Pennsylvania, A. B., 1933

Graduate Work University of Pennsylvania, M. A., 1934; 1934-35.  
summer, 1940.

Experience Investigator, Philadelphia County Relief, 1935-36, \$1320; Associate Professor of Mathematics, Bluefield State Teachers College, 1936- , \$1350-\$1845.

Accomplishments Worked on a committee for the State of West Virginia whose job it was to determine what mathematics should be required of college freshmen.

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*additional ref. Whiting, Bluefield State*

### References

Dr. J. R. Kline, University of Pennsylvania  
Dr. P. A. Curtis, University of Pennsylvania  
Dr. H. B. Evans, University of Pennsylvania  
Dr. G. H. Hallett, (retired) University of Pennsylvania

### Budget Summary

Total Amount Needed	\$1,700
From Applicant	200
From Fund	\$1,500

AMOUNT GRANTED

Sent to Committee

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