LEADERSHIP EXCELLENCE FOR ACQUISITION PROFESSIONALS

Today’s acquisition professionals need to combine technical execution with strong leadership skills to achieve agency missions. The Partnership’s Leadership Excellence for Acquisition Professionals program is an opportunity for exceptional mid-level acquisition professionals to strengthen their management and business skills while building lasting interagency relationships.

Addressing a need identified by the Office of Federal Procurement Policy, the program strengthens the leadership skills of federal acquisition professionals through a combination of innovative coursework, peer collaboration, best practice benchmarking and facilitated dialogue with industry leaders. During the 9-month program, participants learn how executive communication, strategic thinking and stakeholder engagement play a critical role in leading agency operations.

Participants will:

- Develop skills needed to excel in the federal acquisition profession
- Engage with subject-matter experts from the public, private and nonprofit sectors
- Participate in capstone projects to reinforce lessons learned
- Become eligible to earn Continuous Learning Points (CLPs) upon completion of the program
- Gain access to resources, information and best practices from agencies across government

APPLICATION DEADLINE
March 29, 2019

2019 PROGRAM DATES
See reverse for session details

VALUE-BASED LEADERSHIP
April 9–11, 2019

LEADING TEAMS
June 4–6, 2019

MANAGING AND MOTIVATING OTHERS
August 20–22, 2019

ADAPTING TO CHANGE
October 8–10, 2019

COMMITMENT TO ACTION AND GRADUATION
November 5–7, 2019

FOR MORE INFORMATION
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Information about registering multiple participants and customization at your agency is also available.
WHO SHOULD APPLY

Enrollment is open to mid-level high-performing acquisition professionals who have reached the GS-12 to GS-14 level at the time of application. At minimum, participants should possess at least a FAC-C Level II or equivalent certification and have at least three years of federal contracting experience.

TIME COMMITMENT AND LOCATION

During the 9-month program, participants remain in their full-time jobs, meet every two months and spend a total of approximately 14 days in session. Participants are expected to attend all six class sessions; read articles, case studies and reports; and work on team projects. All sessions will take place at the Partnership for Public Service’s offices in Washington, D.C.

TUITION

Tuition is $6,500 and includes:

- All facilitation and program support
- Course materials (e.g., books, articles, handouts)
- Online collaboration and assessment tools
- Access to the Partnership’s resources, expertise and networks
- Invitations to ongoing activities (e.g., Events of Excellence, workshops and continuing education programs)

SESSION DETAILS

Session 1
VALUE-BASED LEADERSHIP
• Improving interpersonal skills
• Pursuing integrity
• Gaining motivation for public service
• Promoting self-management

Session 2
LEADING TEAMS
• Managing conflict
• Building teams

Session 3
MANAGING AND MOTIVATING OTHERS
• Leveraging diversity
• Developing others
• Inspiring and engaging others
• Building relationships and trust

Session 4
ADAPTING TO CHANGE
• Integrating creativity and innovation
• Expanding flexibility
• Improving problem solving

Session 5
COMMITMENT TO ACTION
• Enhancing oral communication

APPLICATIONS ARE DUE
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