Mission Support Leadership Program

APPLICATION DEADLINE: **SEPTEMBER 29, 2020**

The federal government’s effectiveness directly depends on the strength, expertise and leadership of its mission support—the acquisitions, financial management, human resources and information technology professionals. While their work is usually done behind the scenes, it is imperative to build the leadership attributes of these professionals because of their wide-ranging impact, the interconnectedness of their business functions and their ability to positively impact strategic decisions.

The **Mission Support Leadership Program**, designed for GS-12 to GS-14 federal employees in acquisitions, financial management, HR and IT, prepares these mission-critical federal professionals to become more effective leaders by focusing on the four core tenets of the Partnership’s Public Service Leadership Model—self-awareness, engaging others, leading change and achieving results. By the end of the course, participants are able to make values-based decisions, use their roles to build strong partnerships, identify how to drive positive impact within their organizations and demonstrate enhanced leadership attributes. **Participants will be placed in cohorts according to their professional track,** and the program includes plenary-style sessions where all cohorts join together and participate in cross-functional activities.

**PROGRAM STRUCTURE**

**SESSION 1: Defining Your Leadership Style**
October 20–22, 2020, virtual

**SESSION 2: Developing High Performing Teams**
December 8–10, 2020, virtual

**SESSION 3: Championing a Culture of Change**
February 2–4, 2021

**SESSION 4: Results Driven Decision-Making**
March 30–April 1, 2021

**SESSION 5: Building a Strategic Mindset**
May 25–27, 2021

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APPLICATION CRITERIA
Completed applications must include:
- Personal information
- Professional experience
- Development goals for the program
- A current resume
- Supervisor endorsement

Applicants should carefully consider short-answer responses to ensure their government career goals align with the high expectations of MSLP participants.

Program content is geared toward individuals with the experience and desire to take on leadership positions or roles of increased responsibility. We have high standards for all participants and evaluate their applications to ensure they will be able to contribute fully to the program.

**For acquisition professionals:** At the time of application, applicants should possess an FAC-C Level II or equivalent certification. Please be aware that different agencies may require a higher level of qualification to meet their own guidelines.

Applicants can save their application progress at any point and return to complete it at any time.

WHO SHOULD APPLY
Leaders of teams, leaders of supervisors and technical experts who lead projects, typically at the GS-12 to GS-14 level.

LOCATION AND TIME COMMITMENT
Participants will meet in-person in the Washington, D.C. metro area for five three-day sessions over the eight-month period. Sessions through the end of December 2020 will be held virtually.