Women’s Leadership Institute

The Women’s Leadership Institute (WLI) is an opportunity for University women to: 1) learn about inclusive, participatory leadership and organizational change, 2) define their own leadership vision and mission, and 3) complete an individual leadership development project. WLI cohort members come from all levels throughout the University, creating a unique learning community which encourages self-reflection, peer-coaching and networking. Following the September full-day retreat, we come together for nine monthly sessions (i.e. October – June).

Application for WLI Program

Materials are due by the last Friday in June. An advisory committee of past WLI participants and Women’s Center professionals will review applications and notify applicants of their decision by mid-July.

Instructions:
The application emailed should include: 1) Cover page, 2) Application responses, and 3) One letter of recommendation.

☐ Complete the cover page (attached).
   ○ The $100 registration fee helps to cover some of the refreshments, materials and program costs; a limited number of scholarships are available through the Women’s Center.

☐ Application responses.
   ○ Please respond to the following statements (Less than 3 pages, double-spaced):
     1. Describe a leadership role you play in your current professional position.
     2. The WLI has an emphasis on building a diverse community of learners. What would you bring to the cohort? How would participation benefit you?
     3. Explain 2-3 of your learning goals for the year.
     4. Describe how your participation would benefit the University of Minnesota.

☐ Include one letter of recommendation from a supervisor or colleague. This may be sent by campus mail or emailed.

☐ (Optional: Past participants have said that discussing WLI with your supervisor in advance has opened up valuable conversations throughout the year.)

For more information, contact the Women’s Center at women@umn.edu or 612.625.9837, or visit the Women’s Leadership Institute website at diversity.umn.edu/women/wli.
Name:

Professional title:

Department:

Campus address:

Phone:

E-mail:

Supervisor's name:

Title:

Department budget string (No charge until applicant is selected):

Other comments or questions!

Submit applications to:
Women's Leadership Institute Application
Women's Center E-mail: women@umn.edu
Fax: 612-625-9682