



NEW Leadership Nevada Class of 2008

2009 Application and Information National Education for Women's Leadership

NEW LEADERSHIP NEVADA

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Nevada Graduate*



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What is NEW Leadership Nevada?

National Education for Women's Leadership Nevada is a program of the **Women's Research Institute of Nevada (WRIN)** at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. NEW Leadership Nevada has been developed in partnership with the NEW Leadership Development Network established by the Center for American Women and Politics at Rutgers University. Through skill-building workshops, panel discussions and thought provoking conversations students learn to see themselves as leaders with the confidence to explore public leadership positions. In 2008 we will celebrate our 6th year of NEW Leadership Nevada.

NEW Leadership Nevada begins with a six-day, residential leadership-training program in June on the University of Nevada, Las Vegas campus. The program is designed to be intimate, accepting approximately 25 college students each year to participate.

During the program, you will:

- Learn about the breadth of women's historical and contemporary participation in politics and policy-making;
- Explore the demands of justice-based, effective and ethical leadership in a diverse society;
- Connect with women who are leaders in education, gaming, business, law, politics, banking, community activism, and more, and;
- Build a statewide network of peers and mentors.

Is NEW Leadership Nevada for me?

It is if you are looking for the opportunity to:

- Develop new skills, or work on developing your current skill set;
- Translate your skills into action to benefit your community;
- Have fun while you learn with a small group of other students from across Nevada;
- Meet women leaders from a variety of fields in an informal atmosphere;
- Expand your professional development with a nationally-recognized, award-winning program;
- Find a mentor, internships, and future employment!

Program Topics

Program topics cover a variety of issues related to leadership in different organizations. The original Center for American Women and Politics model has as its focus the political process and preparing women to run for public office. NEW Leadership Nevada expanded the scope of its program to include a broader focus on leadership and politics.

We continue to expand and improve on the program and welcome your suggestions for speakers and/or topics for future programs.

- Who is the Leader Inside?
- Networking and Making Connections
- Building a Foundation: Presenting Yourself
- Developing Professional Skills for the Workplace
- Women Leading in the Law
- Women in Politics Working Together
- One on One Sessions w/ Local Elected Officials
- Importance of Diversity in Leadership
- Immigration: Connecting Across NV and Beyond
- Domestic Violence and Sexual Violence in Nevada
- Fem-what? Dispelling Stereotypes of Feminism
- Creating LGBTQ Safe Spaces
- Nevada Pioneers: The Women of Operation Life
- Leadership: Considering Advocacy
- Homeless in NV: Roundtable w/Community Leaders
- Community Service, Politics, and You
- Nevada Women's History
- Arts and Activism in the City
- From Passion to Action: Making your Vision a Reality

Eligibility and Cost

NEW Leadership Nevada selects approximately 25 college students from throughout the state to participate in the program each year. These students represent a variety of college majors, levels of college experience, and varying economic and personal backgrounds. NEW Leadership Nevada is open to all undergraduate students attending colleges and universities in Nevada, as well as Nevada residents attending colleges and universities as undergraduates outside the state. We seek students who are interested in women, politics, and leadership and who demonstrate leadership potential, whether or not they are currently practicing leaders. **There is no cost to the students who participate in the program.** Thanks to the generosity of our university and community partners, WRIN provides meals, transportation, housing, and program materials for the six-day summer institute. **Students must commit to participating in the entire week of the program** and are also expected to assist the institute with recruiting students for future NEWL programs.

"I've learned that I am responsible for making a difference in my community, that my problems are the same as other women's. And if I am the person to notice the problem then it is my responsibility to wake up, speak up, and ACT."

- NEW Leadership Nevada Graduate

“I have realized that as a teacher I want to lead, and as a leader I want to teach. NEW Leadership Nevada has enabled me to make the connection between the two and the importance that each role has.”

-NEW Leadership Nevada Graduate

Connecting NEW Leadership Nevada to the Community

The program does not end after the summer institute -- students will continue to build leadership skills through a variety of events and activities sponsored by WRIN and our community partners. Students are encouraged to apply their newly learned skills in their communities by creating their own projects or programs. Current and future community projects include:

- Domestic violence prevention and awareness campaigns in Elko and Reno.
- Voter education and registration drives.
- An extracurricular arts education program for children living in shelters in Las Vegas.
- A conference that addressed immigration issues.
- A festival that promoted women in the arts.
- Random Acts of Kindness, a student community service organization in Reno.
- The first student chapter of National Organization of Women (NOW) at UNLV.

Where are they now?

NEW Leadership Nevada alumnae are taking on the world! In addition to their projects, our alumnae are leading the way in their educational and employment opportunities:

- Internships at Harrah's Entertainment, working in the Government Affairs and Diversity Relations departments.
- Working with state and federal office holders.
- Attending graduate school at UNR, UNLV, Columbia University, and Rutgers University.
- Attending law school at UNLV's Boyd School of Law.
- Student government elected positions at UNLV, UNR, CSN, WNC, and GBC.
- Working as case workers and advocates in domestic violence, AIDS/HIV, and sexual assault crisis non-profit organizations.
- Recipient of the prestigious Truman Scholarship.
- Program Coordinator at the National Hispana Leadership Institute.
- Community Affairs Coordinator for MGM Mirage.

Colleges and Universities Participating in NEW Leadership Nevada:

College of Southern Nevada
Great Basin College
Nevada State College
Truckee Meadows Community College
University of Nevada, Las Vegas
University of Nevada, Reno
Western Nevada College

NEW Leadership Nevada IS the program for me! How do I get started?

Complete and return the application located in this brochure, along with your Personal Essay and three Letters of Recommendation. Applications are also available on our website, (<http://wrin.unlv.edu>) or, to request an application to be mailed to you, please contact us at the address listed below.

The application deadline is **March 13, 2009**. Students will be notified of their acceptance in early April 2009. Space is very limited, so please apply early!

Contact Information

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Become a part of a growing network of students who are taking on leadership roles in communities across Nevada – Send in your application today!

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NEW Leadership 2009 Applicant Recommendation Form

To be completed by applicant:

In order to be considered for this program, we must have three letters of recommendation from persons who can attest to your campus, community, or political involvement, academic successes, leadership potential, or desire to gain new leadership skills. Please make copies of this form for the persons who will be submitting recommendation letters on your behalf. This form should be returned to you, along with the letter of recommendation, and must be included in your application packet. The person recommending you must return the letter of recommendation to you in a **sealed** envelope.

Name: _____

Phone number or e-mail: _____

Name and title of person providing recommendation: _____

How do you know this person? (professor, former supervisor, etc) _____

To be completed by writer of recommendation:

Please attach your letter of recommendation on your own stationery or letterhead to this form and return to student in a sealed envelope for submission with their application packet. You may also return your recommendation directly to the Program Manager, if so desired. Completed applications are due no later than **Friday, March 13, 2009**.

NEW (National Education for Women's) Leadership is a leadership program for Nevada college students, sponsored by the Women's Research Institute of Nevada, located at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. This program kicks off in the summer with a six-day residential institute located at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas and continues throughout the following year. NEW Leadership Nevada recruits successful Nevada women leaders from a variety of fields, including business, politics, banking, gaming, community activism, and education, who conduct various workshops or serve on panels designed to help students build their leadership skills throughout the week. This program is provided at no cost to students. Students are expected to attend all six days of the summer program. NEW Leadership Nevada targets students who may not have extensive leadership experience but who exhibit latent potential for leadership.

Please tell us why you believe this applicant is 1) qualified for this program and 2) how you believe they could benefit from participating in this program.

If you have any questions, please contact:

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Thank you for taking the time to complete this information.

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