

WESTERN GOVERNORS' FOUNDATION

Western Governors' Leadership Institute

Application

Thank you for applying to the Western Governors' Leadership Institute.

The Western Governors' Leadership Institute is a project of the Western Governors' Foundation. The program is designed to recognize and reward the effective exercise of leadership by young adults across the West, and to promote and encourage its future development.

Every year, the Institute will select one young adult to represent each western state and territory. Delegates will attend an exclusive leadership forum in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho on July 24 - July 25, followed by the Western Governors' Association Annual Meeting, July 26 - July 28. The Foundation will pay all expenses associated with delegate participation.

Eligibility

- To be eligible, applicants must be a permanent resident of: Alaska, Hawaii, Washington, Oregon, California, Idaho, Kansas, Nevada, Utah, Arizona, Wyoming, Colorado, New Mexico, North Dakota, South Dakota, Oklahoma, Northern Mariana Islands, American Samoa, or Guam.
- Eligible applicants must be between the ages of 21 and 25 years old on July 24, 2022.

How to apply

Step 1: Submit a completed application to leadershipapplication@westgov.org by 11:59 p.m. on February 15, 2022. The subject line should read: "WGLIAPP2022[Your Last Name][Your State]". *Please submit all materials in PDF file format.*

Step 2: Two letters of recommendation from individuals not related to you must be submitted by 11:59 p.m. on February 15, 2022, to leadershipapplication@westgov.org. These letters should be sent directly from your references. They should be written by individuals who know you well and can speak to your character, leadership qualities, and future potential. *Please ask your references to submit all materials in PDF file format.* The subject line should read: "WGLI LOR for [full name of applicant]".

Work and Community Service Experience

Please detail your employment history, including dates of employment and principal responsibilities, as well as community service activities, charitable organizations, or philanthropic efforts with which you are or have been involved. Under work history, please feel free to include professional certifications, accomplishments, and commendations. Under community service, discuss formal leadership roles you have held or ways in which you have otherwise exercised leadership to benefit your community. Use such space as you require.

Interests and Avocations

Please discuss your personal interests (including hobbies and extracurricular activities) not otherwise addressed above. Include awards, accomplishments, and special recognition. Use such space as you require.

Short Response

Please describe your success at negotiating a successful solution to a thorny problem, or otherwise bringing people together to resolve a conflict. 150-200 words.

Leadership

What does leadership mean to you? Why should you be selected to represent your state or territory at the Western Governors' Leadership Institute? 350-700 words.