

The ACE Fellows Program®

The Proven Path to Leadership



The ACE Fellows Program seeks to develop the leadership ability of individuals who have the capacity to rise to senior-level leadership in colleges and universities.

ACE Fellows spend up to one year on another campus under the mentorship of the president and his/her senior leadership team, and participate in three week-long national retreats, visit other campuses, and attend national meetings. Fellows come from all areas of institutional life.

Candidates must have a record of leadership in institutions of higher education, and must be nominated by the institution's president or other senior officer who agrees to pay the candidate's salary and benefits for the duration of the Fellowship.

The program focuses learning in six overlapping areas:

- Leadership
- Strategy
- The World of Higher Education
- Higher Education and the World Beyond
- Personal and Interpersonal Dimensions of Leadership
- Executive Skills

Individualized learning through the Fellows Program is supported by a multifaceted agenda that includes: placement at a host institution, mentoring, visits to campuses and higher education organizations, interactions with higher education leaders, participation in conferences and meetings, simulations, evaluations, personal feedback, and networking.

Bridging these individualized learning components are three week-long retreats as well as the ACE Annual Meeting.

- **Opening Retreat (August):** Provides a foundation of knowledge upon which the Fellows build the placement and campus visit portions of the individualized learning experience.
- **Mid-Year Retreat (January):** Examines issues relating to leadership, diversity, and the change process, and provides connections between what Fellows are experiencing in their placements and their own leadership experiences.
- **ACE Annual Meeting (March):** Provides exposure to hot-button issues facing higher education and cutting-edge solutions within an environment that maximizes networking.
- **Closing Retreat (June):** Ties together the threads of the Fellowship year through networking across the entire Fellows family; examination of higher education and federal relations, and other linkages to the world beyond the campus; and consideration of the repositioning of Fellows in their careers and within their home campuses as leaders contributing to the advancement of higher education.

Nominations and applications for the 2012–13 class are due November 1, 2011.

For an application and additional information, please visit: www.acenet.edu/programs/fellows.

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