

2017-2018 Deans' Academy Overview and Requirements

The **Center of Excellence for Careers in Education** and **Workforce Education Council** are pleased to announce the 9th cohort of the Deans' Academy training to begin this summer. Applications will be accepted through **June 30, 2017**.

OVERVIEW: The Dean's Academy is designed to provide new (and aspiring) workforce deans with a solid understanding of the core elements of leadership in addition to the skills required to effectively administer workforce and professional/technical programs in the community and technical college system. The Academy training is appropriate for faculty, staff and administrators whose career plans include workforce administration at the dean or VP level and especially for individuals newly serving in these positions.

REQUIREMENTS: Participation requires a commitment to attend approximately nine (9) days of in-person trainings, monthly small group meetings, and occasional online sessions. The program also includes an individual leadership project and other self-paced activities. The fall, winter, and spring in-person sessions are aligned with the quarterly Workforce Education Council meetings, and will run through spring quarter, 2018. Specific Academy requirements for each attendee include:

- 1) Completed application package.
- 2) Participation in the required summer kick-off retreat at the Cedarbrook Lodge August 14-15, 2017. Cedarbrook is less than one mile from the Sea Tac airport, and guests can arrange a free shuttle to/from the Seattle International Airport, Seattle Link light rail and Tukwila Amtrak platform.
- 3) Commitment to participate in all quarterly Academy training sessions as well as completions of a personal leadership project.
- 4) \$2500 participant fee from each institution which covers all training materials, speakers, and summer retreat meal and overnight hotel expenses. In addition to the participant fee, institutions are expected to cover travel expenses (mileage and/or flight, hotel, and evening per diem meals) at the fall, winter and spring meetings.

APPLICATION SCREENING CRITERIA: This will be a competitive application process as we are anticipating a higher number of applications than the 18 spaces available. We will give top priority to brand new workforce deans or directors. We will then look at the quality and completion of the application package and a commitment to attend all training dates. If it becomes necessary, we may ask colleges to prioritize applications if we are still over capacity. (For those wishing to send more than one individual)

COMMITMENT FROM HOST COLLEGE: In addition to the required participant fee that each college will be providing, we respectfully request the following commitment from each institution to include the appropriate campus leadership (President, VPs, Deans):

- Support your Deans' Academy participant in identifying a suitable leadership project for the year.
- Include the attendee as appropriate in annual workforce planning (i.e. Perkins and Worker Retraining).
- Meet with your Academy attendee quarterly to discuss his/her progress in the Academy.
- Assist in recommending appropriate mentor(s) for the participant

DEADLINE AND NOTIFICATION DATES: All application materials must be received by **Friday, June 30, 2017**. Please submit materials electronically to Jamie Wells, Director of the Center of Excellence for Careers in Education, at jrwells@greenriver.edu. Applicants will be notified of their status by July 7. Colleges will be invoiced for the participant fee at that time.

QUESTIONS: Please contact Jamie Wells, Center of Excellence for Careers in Education, at jrwells@greenriver.edu or 253-833-9111, x4963.

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